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NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Imports From Great Britain Falling Off While That Country Remains Canada's Best Customer.

Fast Atlantic Service Contractors Make Another Deposit—Mayor Bingham Re-Elected.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—The trade returns for the past year will be issued shortly. The imports totalled $111,294 021, as against $110,587,480. The duty collected showed a decrease of $327,040. The exports increased $175,810.86. Great Britain takes the bulk of Canadian exports, but the imports from the old country have shrunken woefully. During the year there were exported to the United States Canadian products to the value of $43,991,485, as against $34,460,428 in 1895-6. Great Britain took of our exports $69,533,852, but our imports from the old country were but $29,412,188, a decrease of $8,567,554, as compared with the previous year, while from the United States we imported to the value of $61,649,041, an increase of $3,075,023 over the year before. Upon the total imports of British goods there was collected duty to the amount of $6,205,362, an average rate of 21 per cent. Upon the total imports from the States, the duty collected was $8,147,075, an average rate of but 13 per cent.

Peterson, Tait & Co., contractors for the proposed fast Atlantic service, have deposited another $50,000 with the government, making $100,000 in all as evidence of their bona fides.

Samuel Bingham was re-elected Mayor for a second term by acclamation to-day.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

Leader of Yukon Party Dies from Pneumonia—Child Killed on the Way to Sunday School.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 26.—(Special)—Archbishop Langevin has gone to St. Paul, where he has been invited by Archbishop Ireland, to meet Mgr. Martinelli, the papal delegate at Washington. The Archbishop returns here in a few days and expects to leave for Montreal on Saturday to attend a conference of church dignitaries.

Malse. Fear, aged 10 years, was killed near Carberry to-day while driving with her brothers and sisters to Sunday school, the horse becoming unmanageable and kicking her on the head.

A despatch from Edmonton, N.W.T., to-night records the death of Captain Alleyne, leader of an English party bound for the Klondyke. He succumbed to pneumonia.

A CUSTOMS DIFFICULTY.

Montreal Importer Resents the Charge of Wholesale Undervaluation.

MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—(Special)—A difference of opinion has arisen between customs authorities and the firm of Fitzgibbons, Shaefeitlin & Co., importers of European fancy dry goods, etc., over certain clauses in the tariff. Mr. Fitzgibbons states that the customs authorities are acting on the affidavit of a discharged employee that the firm entered goods valued at 30,000 marks, or about $7,500, under their proper value, but he strongly denies that there was any undervaluation. He says that he has deposited $7,500 with the government as a guarantee and proposes to resist the claims.

A commercial paper states that the undervaluation amounts to $400,000 and that strong efforts are being made to secure a compromise. This Mr. Fitzgibbons says is untrue, and he has instructed his lawyers to enter action for $100,000 damages against the paper.

TORONTO NOMINATIONS.

Probable Walk Over for Mayor Shaw—Sensational Incident at the Junction.

TORONTO, Dec. 27.—(Special)—John Linton, councillor for Toronto Junction for the last two years, and who was renominated this morning, as the clerk declared nominations closed, fell into the arms of Councillor Rice with the words "Hold me please," and expired almost instantly.

The mayoralty nominations were as follows: E. A. Macdonald, W. R. Brock, Ald. Hallam, Ald. Preston, Ald. Scott, Mayor Shaw and Ald. Spence. It is likely that all the candidates except Shaw and Macdonald will retire.

Bismarck's Gout.

BERLIN, Dec. 27.—The Hamburger Nachrichten denies that Prince Bismarck's gout is better, and says he cannot walk or sleep and is unable to read or answer his friends' letters.

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EX-SENATOR'S SON SUICIDES.

L. P. Bowen Takes Poison and Dies on the Northern Pacific Track.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 27.—L. P. Bowen, a son of ex-United States Senator Thomas Bowen, of Denver, Colo., committed suicide at Sappington, on the Butte branch of the Northern Pacific, yesterday. His body was found near the track where an express had thrown it, and near it wrs an empty bottle labelled "poison." He was on his way from Sheridan to Miles City, where he expected to take a position on the Yellowstone Journal. Bowen was for a short time in 1889 editor of the Deer Lodge "New Northwest," but left Deer Lodge and went to Sheridan, in Madison county, where he started the "Sheridan." He was not married. His mother lives in Deer Lodge.

ADRIFT ON THE ATLANTIC.

Four Men Frozen to Their Boat Cast Up on Rockaway Beach.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—A rowboat containing four men, frozen and unconscious, was washed up on Rockaway beach to-day. They were frozen fast to the bottom of the boat. They were carried to a hotel, their clothes stripped from them, and restoratives administered. After four hours' care they came to, and explained that they had hired a rowboat from a fisherman yesterday and lost the oars, and been at the mercy of the wind and waves. It is probable all will recover. Their names are Jos. Day, B. Black, James Room and Geo. Metzger, of New York city.

OCTOGENARIAN TO WED.

The Father of the Telephone Inventor About to Marry an Ontario Widow.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—It may be stated with certainty that Professor Alexander Melville Bell, the distinguished scientist of Edinburgh, Scotland, and the father of Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, will wed Mrs. H. C. Shibley, of Harrowsmith, Ont., in this city within the next two weeks. The exact date of the marriage has not yet been fixed and the place of the ceremony is to be kept a secret, as it is decided that the wedding will be entirely private. Rev. Dr. Patterson, the oldest living pupil of Prof. Bell, will be the officiating clergyman.

Dr. Patterson is the founder of the first ladies' training school for missionaries in the United States, and was until recently the president of the ladies' college at Binghampton, N.Y. It was 40 years ago on Christmas day that Dr. Patterson last saw Professor Bell, and Graham Bell was then a boy of about 6 years. Professor Bell is 78 years old and Mrs. Shibley is 54. He resides in Washington, D.C.

THE GLOBE UNEASY.

It Fears the Consequences of Breach of the Liberals' Promise to Settle the School Question.

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—(Special)—Discussing the Pope's encyclical on the school question, the Globe says: So far as federal action is concerned the matter is settled and cannot be unsettled by any ecclesiastical decree. The Pope's encyclical operates simply as an instruction from the head of the church to its members in Canada. This may, however, have political consequences, the importance of which cannot be ignored.

GERMANS IN AFRICA.

They Have Spoiled Their Native Enemies in Place of Suffering Defeat as Reported.

BERLIN, Dec. 27.—The governor of Cameroons, the German colony on the west coast of Africa, has cabled to the home government saying there is no truth in the story received in London by mail on December 7 that a German expedition, consisting of six white officers and 200 natives, recently met with a severe reverse at the hands of the Moboulies, a tribe which has long harassed the German trade caravans. On the contrary, the governor reports that the expedition has completely defeated the tribe and has captured its capital, with slight loss.

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BACK WITH GOLD!

Five Parties Straight From Dawson.

MINERS ARE RESTIVE.

Mass Meeting Sends a Delegate to Ottawa.

Huge Royalty Causes the Indignation—Several Returned Victorians Tell of Their Northern Experiences.

Three steamers from the North—the Farallon, the Rosalie and the Tees—have just arrived, the two latter with five separate parties from Dawson among their passengers, one of which had left the Klondyke capital as recently as November 16, and is the first to come through to the Coast with dogs, the river having only very lately been sufficiently cleared to permit of travel other than pedestrian. Many of the newcomers have gold in abundance, and none of them apprehend danger of starvation for the citizens of the Yukon country.

The flying brigade of which Richard Shaw of Victoria, was a member, and which made Skagway in 32 days from Dawson, would have got through even sooner but for the fact that they first tried the Dalton trial after leaving the river, and finding it blocked by recent heavy snowfalls were obliged to retrace their steps.

On the way down, at the Five Finger Rapids, they picked up an unfortunate young man who had laid himself down to die. Both of his feet were so badly frozen that he was helpless and his heartless companions had abandoned him to his fate.

The miners at Dawson, according to these latest arrivals, are offering $2 a pound for flour, and none purchaseable at this figure, while many are coming up the river and buying outfits in their entirety from such of the inbound prospectors who will sell, at $1.25 per pound.

The party on the Tees are credited with having upwards of $5,000 amongst them, but exhibit all the customary reticence of the returning lucky ones, and refuse to give figures when discussing their own affairs. They are for the most part short residents in the country, who have done a little profitable speculating and returned for fresh supplies. Between 400 and 500 men are following them out, they say, and bringing plenty of gold with them.

None of these visitors from the North are flying from famine, but their exodus for the winter will go a very long way toward relieving the necessities of those remaining, as there will be fewer mouths to feed, and their supplies added to the general store. The object of the majority of the Coast-bound travellers is to see friends, make spring purchases, and let the outside world know what the Klondyke thinks of the new mining regulations particularly affecting that district.

In this latter connection it is stated that a crowded miners' mass meeting was held at Dawson on Oct. 28, at which resolutions were adopted again protesting against the royalty and crown reserve clauses; and afterwards a deputation was named headed by a miner named Sullivan, to proceed at once to Ottawa and lay the grievance of the miners before Premier Laurier and his colleagues.

As to the danger of famine at Dawson, and the proclamation in early November by the officers of the mounted police that they are quite capable of dealing with any emergency that

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BACK WITH GOLD.

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may arise — these new arrivals say the police have none too plentiful stores for their own consumption, and their method of meeting the crisis will be simply putting the population on short rations and seeing that the well-supplied share their goods with the less provident should a real pinch come. As a fact the miners throughout the district are all fairly well supplied for the winter—it is the gambling and sporting element only that is likely to need relief.

Regarding the mining regulations, so keenly do the miners feel their alleged injustice in certain particulars, that hundreds speak of moving to Manook or some other diggings on American soil as soon as spring comes—even if these gold grounds be less profitable.

Another cause of growing discontent is the dual collection of duty at the passes on inbound goods. If bought in the United States, outfits of course pay tribute to the Canadian authorities as soon as they cross the passes; if Canadian goods, the outfits have been hampered with charges while passing through American territory in bond, and the new arrivals say that the recent arrangement whereby this will be stopped will prevent much disappointment and irritation.

MINERS' GRIEVANCES.

A Bonanza Claim Owner Speaks of the Difficulty at the Passes and the Obnoxious Regulations.

A returned resident of the Klondyke district whose views count for something when the Yukon country is the subject of consideration, is Mr. Thomas Storey, a Bonanza Creek claim owner who arrived down by the Rosalie on Sunday, and came to Victoria from Port Townsend yesterday morning. He formed one of a party of four coming out by Skagway pass, his companions being Robert Gwynn, J. Lindsay and Frank Bellaine. As soon as he has renewed old acquaintanceships in Vancouver, and bought his spring supplies he will return to his northern home by the same route.

Parties bound into the Yukon with Canadian goods have, he says, suffered from the sharp practice—since discontinanced at Washington—of the United States customs officers at Dyea and Skagway, who have needlessly compelled them to employ American customs officials to accompany the goods while they are going through in bond—these officials charging $6 a day for the pleasure of their company. As it usually takes from a week to a fortnight to take a complete outfit through to the summit—this being fourteen miles from Dyea or twenty from Skagway—it means in the end that as much has been paid in fees and othe red tape expenses as the American duties would have amounted to.

"I have heard it said," he continued, "that Great Britain claims quite as much right to the territory on which Dyea stands as the United States. Then why has American occupation been tacitly agreed to? The Canadian officials do indeed show some disposition to move up into the disputed territory, but they have been a long time about it. Some of them are, I understand, at Lake Lindeman now, and made an endeavor not long ago to collect duties from some Americans who were going no farther. They refused to pay, and that was the end of it.

"Of course the miners have brought the chief difficulties as to the passage through in bond upon themselves, taking Canadian goods in ostensibly with the purpose of going right through and then disposing of or using them in American territory.

"At the time I left Dawson there was no immediate danger of anyone starving, but there was undoubted shortage of provisions. The principal relief I think will come through the large number who are coming out to the Coast for a few months. They will not be there to feed, and they are disposing of their stocks of provisions, so that it will be that much addition to the general supply.

"The police can do very little toward providing for the hungry, as I understand they will be pinched a little themselves. Their methods of preventing famine will be to see that the stocks in hand are used intelligently, and a fair division made if the necessity arises. The miners as a rule are not the ones that are short. They have laid in their stores for the winter and to carry them along until June or July. There is, however, a large non-productive class, of which the gamblers and city men form the proportion, and these are the ones who will require assistance if anyone does.

"The miners all through the Klondyke country are still very indignant with regard to the proposed collection of 20 per cent. on the output of the mines. The biggest miners' meeting ever held in the country discussed this subject on the night of the 28th of October, passing resolutions of protest, and I understand naming a delegation of which Sullivan is one to go to Ottawa, and lay the grievance before the government.

"They feel the pressure of this royalty clause so keenly that many are making preparation for a move to American territory in the spring. They will for the most part try the Manook country probably, or else work on the Forty-Mile. It is true the Manook has not been proven as yet, but it may turn out very well; in any event the miners are willing to work in a less profitable country rather than pay this royalty. The Stewart river has at present a hundred or more men working at its mouth while half as many more are prospecting up stream. No finds have been reported as yet to amount to anything, but the spring may bring something good in this quarter.

"Greenbacks, contrary to the general rule, are at a premium over gold in the Klondyke country. We have to pay a $17 ounce for $15.25 in paper money, for of course everyone who thinks of coming out wants the paper money. I brought down all that I could get at a reasonable price, and also a few pounds of gold, which I have sold to the Bank of Montreal at $15.50. It was Bonanza gold, the finest standard of all, and I was rather disappointed in the price paid here."

Storey and his companions met Major Walsh at Salmon river. The administrator was complaining of short supplies at the time, but anticipating receipts of provisions from the lakes. He was as comfortably fixed as possible, with the thermometer at 72 below zero, and if not required to change his plans proposed starting for Dawson with his dogs in early March. At this time the river had been impossible for dogs and sleds, but as the miners are now coming through by this means it is likely that Major Walsh's party will push on to their destination as soon as their supplies are reinforced.

KLONDYKE MINERS STRIKE.

Refuse to Accept Anything Less Than $15 a Day for Their Services—"Dick" Shaw at Home.

After a journey of thirty-two days to Dyea, Mr. Richard Shaw, of this city, arrived by the steamer Tees from the North yesterday evening, having just come through from Dawson.

He left that famous city on the Yukon river on the 16th November, and, in company with Mr. Shede, of Juneau, came through to Dyea without a single delay, only stopping at Fort Selkirk for a couple of hours for the purpose of having dinner; and also at McCormack's Post for the same reason. The two came up the river on the ice to Lake Bennett, and thence over the Skagway trail to the Coast. They dragged 600 pounds altogether up the river, of which 300 was food for themselves and a considerable quantity of the balance for their dogs.

The weather at Dawson has been very cold, in the neighborhood of 70 below zero, for some time past, but it got milder as they went up stream, Thirty Mile river not being frozen at all. At Five Finger rapids they came across a young fellow whose feet and legs were frozen like blocks of ice right up to the knees, and who, of course, was given all assistance possible.

Mr. Shaw says that Dave Spencer has had a very close call, having been given up twice before taking a final turn for the better. He lay in the hospital at Dawson for six weeks' hovering between life and death, best thanks to the untiring efforts of Dr. W. A. Richardson and his own splendid constitution, he managed to pull through all right, although for three weeks he was not allowed to be seen by anyone. He is now living at a cabin with one of the other Victorians who succeeded in getting through, and when Mr. Shaw left was getting about and seemed to be quite himself again. He intends coming out with Hubert Macaulay in January. He wrote and forwarded a letter to his father in November, but the party bringing it out for him was passed by Mr. Shaw at McCormack's post, and it will probably be a month yet before the letter reaches its destination.

There is a very good hospital at Dawson, which is managed by a Catholic priest, Father Judge, three ounces of gold per year entitles anyone to free nursing when sick, but if not a subscriber to this fund, the rate is $5 per day, which is considered very reasonable, and in every case is paid without a murmur. There is a great deal of typhoid prevalent in the town, owing to the bad sanitary arrangements and the amount of squalid debris on the streets. During the summer the deaths for about three months averaged five persons a day.

For a town of its kind, Dawson is remarkably free from lawlessness of all descriptions, but the place is full of Mounted Police, which no doubt explains the fact. There is at present a shortage of provisions but no actual fear of starvation. About five hundred men started out for the coast prior to Mr. Shaw's departure, but a greater number went to Fort Yukon, where there is plenty of food, one hundred leaving for the latter place in one day on the steamers Bella and Weare. The Shaw party was overtaken by Mr. McKay, who left Dawson after they had started. Mr. McKay brings out about $50,000 in company orders, with an owner of No. 13, El Dorado. This party, however, did not come down on the Tees, but are waiting at Dyea to come to Victoria on the Alki.

On the 27th of October the mine owners attempted to make a cut in the miners' wages by reducing them to $10 per day. As a result the men all went on strike and had not returned to work up to the time of Mr. Shaw's departure. A number of them say they are willing to leave it to the decision of a committee, but the majority refused to work for anything less than $1.50 per hour or $15 per day. On November 16 there was a large meeting held for the purpose of petitioning the Dominion government to revise the laws governing mining in that district, but Mr. Shaw left before being able to get any information as to what was done.

Messrs. Shaw and Shede met a number of parties going in on Tagish lake, all of them having their outfits with them.

Among the Victorians who got in, Mike Conlin is working on one of the Eldorado claims; Bush and Behnsen have built a log cabin and are doing nothing as yet, and Gilbert is working at his trade of tinsmith and making good money. Pettigrew and Rendall have staked out a claim on Moosehide creek and say they have a very good prospect about five miles from Dawson. A number of the parties who left here in the summer reached Dawson, selling their outfits for $1.25 per pound and then came out again, having made a good profit on the transaction.

Mr. Perry, another Victorian, got jammed in the ice and floated down the river to Dawson landing without any mishap. Mr. Perdue, a cattle dealer, sent two rafts of meat down the river but they were drifted down the ice past Dawson, with that gentleman on board. The third raft was stranded 135 miles above Dawson but the meat had not been brought down and was lying there when Mr. Shaw passed.

There were no fresh strikes made lately with the exception of one on Hunker creek, which yielded $300 to five feet.

Mr. Shede has some valuable properties on Hunker creek but brought no money out with him.

When the two reached Dyea they had five pounds of flour and three pounds of bacon, but they were forced to bup some meat for their dogs and some fresh goat meat at Lake Le Barge from the Indians, for which they were paid $1 per pound.

THE VOYAGE OF THE "TEES."

Rough Weather the Rule for the Greater Part of the Trip—Stickeen Route in Good Condition.

The steamer Tees, of the Canadian Pacific Navigation fleet, has now fairly inaugurated the service to be maintained by this home company between Victoria and the ports forming the gateways to the Upper Yukon, during the approaching spring. Arriving back in port last evening, her master, Captain Meyer, reports that on the up run calls were made at all the mail landings in British Columbia waters.

At Wrangel several passengers were landed who intended going up the Stickeen river. The ice was reported in good condition from a point about six miles above the river mouth, and on the return of the steamer to Wrangel it was found that the late passengers had gone on their way up river without delay.

At Skagway a number of passengers took the Tees who had just come out from Dawson, among them Mr. Richard Shaw, one of the very latest from the Klondyke country. A number of others were reported to be close to Skagway and anxious to catch a steamer. For this reason the Tees waited about two days, but the weather being very boisterous at the time it no doubt prevented the coast-bound miners from getting over the passes, as no new arrivals were reported on Wednesday last when the Tees sailed.

The weather up North during the entire trip was most tempestuous—wet and mild, but stormy. At Port Simpson on the homeward trip several passengers joined who had started from Skagway on the Rosalie. That steamer had taken over five days to this point, and the passengers preferred landing to taking any further chances with the little craft.

W. H. Thompson, of Nanaimo, who has been engaged in packing from Skagway to Lake Bennett for the last five months, was one of the Tees' passengers last night from Skagway. Chatting about his experiences as he sat in the Oriental, he said that he had left Bennett at the end of November, and at that time about 150 people were camped near the lake, but by now no doubt some had moved further on when the ice formed. He had made five trips over the trail and a good deal of his time was taken up in packing for the mounted police. Of their supplies he thought the police now had sixty tons through, and there were forty tons near the summit ready to be packed over. It appeared to him that it would be a very difficult thing for supplies to be taken down the Yukon this winter, when one understands that at the summit the thermometer registered 26 degrees below zero with a strong wind blowing and further in the cold got much more intense.

With him Mr. Thompson brought a very fine specimen of peacock copper ore which a man found this season in the Stickeen district. The finder had told Mr. Thompson that there was a three foot ledge of the stuff, which is certainly as nice copper rock as anyone would wish to see. What amount of gold it carries can only be decided by assay.

VICTORIANS RETURN.

Charles Steele and Party Make a Fast Trip From Dawson.

John Hookar, Charles Steele and George Bassett left Dawson City in company and reached Skagway eight days ago, after a thirty-five-day tramp. They came out over the ice to Lake Bennett and through the White pass afoot, packing their outfits on their backs. When they left Dawson City they were told by many that it was simply suicidal to leave there at that time of year without pack animals, but the men had every confidence in their strength and came through all well, although for a great part of the journey they endured extreme hardships from exposure and from the cold weather. From the time thay left Fort Selkirk until they reached the Hootalinqua the thermometer ran from 42 to 70 below zero.

"Our noses," said Steele last evening, "were frozen from two to three times a day in the coldest of the weather, which was experienced at Five Finger rapids. Snow was encountered knee deep in some places, and we could only know we were on the trail by the manner in which we would sink in diverging a little from the proper path. On Middle lake we got very bad weather and for some considerable time it stormed so severely that we could not see five feet ahead of us. George H. Hanbury, who came down with us and who belongs to Seattle, we picked up, in company with two others now at Skagway, ten miles above the Stewart river. They had left Dawson City about two weeks before we did, and were getting pretty short of provisions when we overtook them. We had lynx and wild cat to eat part of the time coming out, and I can tell you it didn't taste bad. Wild cat went pretty good for the first meal, but after that I did not want any more of it. When McCormack's Post was reached we renewed our supplies of meat, and then came on with little delay. In starting out we threw away everything save our grub and one blanket apiece, and took rest by giving four men sleep at a time while two kept watch, to renew the fires to prevent us from freezing to death."

In reference to the general condition of affairs at Dawson, Steele has nothing additional to add to the reports recently published to the effect that there is no prospect of famine. He says the country is good and that he expects to return North early in the spring. Before he left Dawson there was a miners' strike on, and he had no idea as to its settlement. The day he came away on his homeward trip a mass meeting was called to discuss the grievances. The mine owners wanted to pay their employees to work for them at $1 an hour. The miners objected to this as too low, as there are only six hours to the day, and they could not make living wages at this rate. Steele says it was cheaper for him to come out than to stay in Dawson for the winter. He and his two partners had 1,000 pounds of provisions, which he says they sold out before leaving the Yukon, though for what prices he does not care to state. He reports that Henderson creek is now all surveyed off and that fully one hundred men are there working. Several shafts had been sunk, but up to the time he left he had heard of no results. On the way to the coast Major Walsh and party were met at Big Salmon and Judge Macguire and party and Inspector Wade just one mile below Little Salmon. There were encamped at the foot of the Stewart river about 200 people, who will await spring before making further progress, and these Steel thinks are well provided for with provisions. On the trail coming out he met some parties he had passed as he went in and predicts that many of these will not reach Dawson this year. They have had trouble in getting their outfits over the passes, and sooner than lose anything are making slow progress. It is now only five months since Steele and his party left here for the Klondyke. They took no pack animals along, but packed all their effects on their backs, thus accomplishing one of the hardest undertakings in connection with the northern travel. They now bring out with them considerable mail from Dawson City, and also bring news of some Victorians. Dave Spencer, when they left Dawson City, was still in the hospital suffering from fever. The Behnsen party were making preparations to erect log cabins. Speed was well provisioned for the winter but had not yet started in for himself, while among other Victorians spoken and reported well were Sharp, Chas. Ross, Ned Clyde, Thos. McManus and Joseph Hunter. The last two mentioned expect to come out this winter.

Damages for Arrest.

MONTREAL, Dec. 25.—(Special)—Robert Stevenson, the British Columbia mining man arrested at the instance of Miss Christie of Ottawa in connection with a mining investment which did not give her the return expected, is suing her for $20,000 damages for wrongful arrest.

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To the Electors of the City of Victoria.

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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

December 23rd, 1897.

HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor in Council directs that the following Rules, framed under the authority of the "County Courts Act" shall come into force from the 24th day of December, 1897.

By Command,
JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

1. There shall be a vacation in the County Courts of Victoria, Nanaimo, New Westminster and Vancouver from the 24th day of December, 1897, to the 3rd day of January, 1898 both days inclusive, during which vacation, subject to the further provisions hereinafter contained, no cause shall be tried.

2. Nothing in these rules shall interfere with the issue or service of ordinary default or judgment summonses, or garnishee proceedings, or with proceedings for obtaining judgment or default summonses.

3. Nothing in these rules shall interfere with any criminal proceedings.

4. During said vacation the office hours of the offices of the Court shall be in accordance with Rule 693, "Supreme Court Rules, 1890."

5. These rules may be cited as the "County Courts (Christmas) Vacation Rules, 1897."

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SALISBURY DECLINES!

The British Premier Will Not Agree to Stop Sealing Against Canada's Wish.

The Dominion Having the Foremost Interest Must Be Left to Decide.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Lord Salisbury, the Premier, has written to United States Ambassador Hay, in response to America's latest proposals in the Behring Sea controversy, her request that Great Britain should into an agreement with the United States, Russia and Japan to stop sealing. Great Britain declines to enter into such an agreement.

Lord Salisbury says, in substance, that he has communicated with the Canadian government, which has the foremost interest in the sealing question, and that it is unwilling to become a party to such an arrangement as is proposed by the United States. Therefore England, continues Lord Salisbury, whose interest is but slight, would not be justified in acceding to the proposals.

Lord Salisbury's answer emphasizes the policy of England not to interfere in Canada's foreign relations.

YUKON AT WASHINGTON.

Mr. Sifton to Discuss International Matters With General Alger There—The Wrangel Difficulty.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—Hon. Mr. Sifton has gone to Washington to consult with General Alger on a number of questions affecting the Yukon in which Canada and the United States are jointly interested. General Alger was coming to Ottawa, but he is in indifferent health, and, therefore, Mr. Sifton decided to go to Washington instead. Among the questions to be discussed are uniform customs regulations, bonding privileges, and the mail service.

A Washington despatch says that Assistant Secretary Howell, who has jurisdiction over customs matters, says the only restriction placed upon the importation of Canadian goods in bond through Wrangel is the authority given the deputy collector there to appoint an inspector to accompany the goods across United States territory, the inspector to be paid by the owners of the goods.

SEALSKIN EXCLUSION.

United States Merchants Protest That the Unneighborly Act Will Hurt Their Business.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—A Washington special to the Herald says:

Protests made by influential merchants against the approval of the sealing act, which passed congress on Friday, have caused the President to hesitate in attaching his signature to the message, but it is the general opinion tonight that he will finally approve it. It has been represented to the President that section 9 of the act providing that "importations into the United States of fur sealskins taken in North Pacific waters, whether raw, dressed, dyed or manufactured, is hereby prohibited," works a hardship upon American merchants equally with British manufacturers.

Special seal embassador Foster was with the President this morning explaining the provisions of the act and their effect, and, as he prepared the measure in conjunction with the secretary of the treasury, he, of course, urged that it be approved. Mr. Foster believes that section 9 will prevent the treatment by London manufacturers of skins taken by pelagic sealers, and the result of the restriction of British work will cause them to bring pressure to bear upon the British government to negotiate a modus vivendi with the United States as desired by President McKinley.

An official of the treasury department told me that the department had as yet taken no steps looking to the preparation of regulations under which the reimportation of sealskins into the United States will be allowed. It is not generally known, he said, but it is a fact, that every sealskin taken by the Alaska Commercial Company on the Pribyloff Islands is given a number, and that number is retained through the various stages through which it passes to the finished material. Each number, with a description of the skin, is kept by collectors of customs. The company was allowed to take 30,000 skins during last season, and in case a modus should not be negotiated the President will announce in the spring the number it will be allowed to take during the following season. The only skins which London dealers can import into the United States besides those taken by the Alaska Commercial Company will be some 15,000 or 20,000 taken annually in Hudson Bay and in that vicinity. The effect of the prohibition of the importation of skins taken elsewhere will be appreciated when it is remembered that the United States is the largest sealskin market in the world and that 200,000 skins have been annually treated by London furriers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Assistant Secretary Powell has instructed the collectors of customs at San Francisco and Port Townsend, Wash., to notify all persons in their respective districts contemplating engaging in pelagic sealing of the passage of a bill prohibiting sealing in the Pacific Ocean north of the thirty-fifth degree north latitude, under a penalty of forfeiture and a fine of $2,000, and imprisonment for not longer than six months.

A PERSONAL ITEM.

MRS. WM. HAMBLY, Belleville, Ont., says: "My husband was troubled with kidney complaint, rheumatism, loss of appetite, sleeplessness, etc., and could not get relief until I got a BOX of DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS for him. He has now used four boxes in all and is perfectly cured.

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PERSONAL.

Capt. Bonser, master of the steamer Caledonia, is at the Queen's.

Captain F. W. Gatter, the N.P.R. pilot, is here to meet the now due Victoria.

Hamilton Abbott was among the passengers arriving from the Sound by yesterday's Kingston.

Albert, Edward and Michael Bartlett, three of Sandon's mining men, are staying at the Queen's.

Mrs. G. F. Thorndyke and Mrs. G. H. Lent were passengers to Victoria by the City of Kingston yesterday.

E. A. Cleveland of Fort Steele, Charles H. E. Ebb of Seattle, and F. W. Dunham of Skagway, are among those registered at the Driard.

W. Grassie, Duncan; W. S. Williams, Westholme; Mrs. Robertson, Union; and D. Wooodward, Ladner, have been spending Christmas at the Occidental.

D. B. Dunton, F. Browning and F. W. Duncan are at the Queen's. They are fitting out for the Klondyke and leave for the North by the steamer Seattle.

F. S. Findley, Vancouver; T. D. Conway, Chemainus; E. Wilson, Vancouver; John Marley, Brandon, Man.; and Grant Jessop, Wellington, are guests at the Victoria.

John Maguire, of Maguire's opera house, Butte, Montana, and one of the best known and successful men in his profession in the West, is at present visiting Victoria.

A. Raynes, the wharf contractor of Salt Spring island, is here with five men waiting for the Boscowitz, when they go north as far as Alert Bay to build a wharf for Mr. Spencer's cannery.

HALL MINES THRIVING.

Ten Per Cent. Dividend to Ordinary Shareholders—Directors Present a Good Report.

At the fifth ordinary general meeting of the Hall Mines Limited held in London, December 15, 1897, a dividend of 10 per cent. was declared to the ordinary shareholders. It is the first dividend declared by the company and amounts in all to £25,000. The directors report was as follows:

"The directors beg to submit to the shareholders the statement of accounts and balance sheet for the year ending 30th September, 1897, duly certified by the auditor, being the fourth balance sheet issued since the formation of the company. This balance sheet shows a gross surplus of income over expenditure amounting to £30,457 8s. 0d., which together with £1,930 6s. 4d. brought forward from 1896, makes a sum of £32,287 14s. 4d. Out of this amount the directors have already appropriated £1,750 to the payment of a dividend of 7 per cent. on the preference shares, which appropriation you are asked to confirm, and out of the balance remaining, after writing off the sum of £5,489 15s. 8d. for depreciation on buildings plant and machinery, they recommend that a dividend of 10 per cent. be paid upon the ordinary shares of the company, which will absorb £25,000, and that the balance remaining, viz., £17 18s. 8d., be carried forward to the credit of the account for the current year.

"The result of the year's working is, in the opinion of the board, very satisfactory, when it is remembered that for the first nine months the difficulty of obtaining a regular supply of ore prevented continuous work at the smelter, and that it was not until 31st July that the second smelter started work, and that the impediments in the way of obtaining a free supply of ore from the stopes opened up in the mine were removed.

"The wire tramway has continued to give satisfaction, and in May advantage was taken of the opportunity afforded by the closing down of the blast furnace, pending a replenishment of the stock of ore in the ore bins, to renew the wire rope, and by the introduction of an improved clip-strap, permanence and regularity in the working have been assured.

"The work of opening up the mine has been intelligently and vigorously proceeded with, though the board have limited the mine superintendent to the prosecution of work in the main tunnels only, with a view of developing the ore bodies already proved. No work has therefore been done on the gold lead in the Daylight claim, referred to in the directors' report last year, but under the favorable conditions upon which we enter upon the business of the current year, the directors contemplate resuming work upon this claim very shortly.

"The new blast furnace, which was completed in July, has since then been working most successfully and with considerable saving in the cost of smelting.

"The refining works were completed in May, and have since then done good work, but experience has shown that, in order to reap full benefit from them, it will be necessary to erect a second reverberatory furnace and roasting oven; these are now in course of construction, and when completed will have a capacity of outturn of about 10 tons of copper bullion per day."

The financial statement shows that out of the receipts the company spent about $600,000 in British Columbia during the year.

Too Merry on Christmas.

HAMILTON, Dec. 26.—(Special)—A tragedy occurred in the Britannia hotel stable on Christmas afternoon, Thomas Reynolds falling from the hayloft and breaking his neck. He had been drinking heavily.

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Part 171	25		Land and Imp.	J. H. Seeley)	Pt. W.C.S. Seeley, pt. W.C.S	$ 67 35	$ 9 43	76 78
Part 171	25		do do	Mrs. W. C. Seeley	Seeley & Emmanuel Baria,	69 00	9 66	78 66
Part 171	25		do J	H Seeley & E Baria)	pt. Sarah C. N. M. Renworth	31 35	4 39	35 74
N part 406	13		do and Imp.	D. F. Adams	James Porter	108 75	15 22	123 97
E part 432	W		do do	Mrs. J. C. K. Greenwood	John K. Greenwood	44 25	6 19	50 44
E part 794	10		do do	Mrs. Mary Jamieson	Not registered	22 55	3 15	25 70
807	10		do	John Colbert	John Colbert and Joshua H. Warner	34 50	4 83	39 33
872	J		do and Imp.	Sam Hop Tang	San Hop Tang	54 37	7 61	61 98
E ½ 878	J		do do	Lucie Thiebault	Lucie Thiebault	30 66	4 30	34 96
14 of 955, etc	44		do	W. H. Ellis	P. R. Brown	13 50	1 89	15 39
N pt 15, do	44		do	do	do	2 00	28	2 28
S do do	44		do	W. J. Cline	do	10 00	1 40	11 40
1026	Z		do	J. Bigne	Not registered	39 76	5 56	45 32
1038	Z		do and Imp.	Mrs. Rose Wallace	James Wallace	16 50	2 31	18 81
1046	7		do	Shelton & Fleming	Frank Shelton and Lizzie Fleming	15 00	2 10	17 10
1128	33		do	B. H. John	Bedlington, H. John	16 50	2 31	18 81
1129	33		do and Imp	do	do	24 75	3 45	28 20
1263	H		do do	John Turner	John Turner	255 00	35 70	290 70
13 of 1257	T		do do	Winnifred Gibson	Winnifred Gibson	31 50	4 41	35 91
1301	46		do do	J. C. Prevost	Andrew D. Laing	42 37	5 93	48 30
1302	46		do	do	do	41 25	5 77	47 02
1303	46		do and Imp.	do	do	43 88	6 14	50 02
1313	44		do	G. A. Keefer	Not registered	39 74	5 56	45 30
1314	44		do	do	do	39 74	5 56	45 30
E part 1631	32		do	Mrs. Ellen Turner	Ellen Turner	6 00	84	6 84
1632	32		do and Imp	do	do	18 75	2 62	21 37
1633	32		do do	do	do	25 50	3 57	29 07
1634	32		do do	do	do	27 00	3 78	30 78
1637	32		do	do	do	16 50	2 31	18 18
5 of 1707-1711	60	(Map 220)	do	H. M. Dumbleton	Henry M. Dumbleton	21 00	2 94	23 94
6 of 1707-1711	60	do	do	do	do	21 00	2 94	23 94
N part 1746	60		do	A. J. Smith	Andrew J. Smith	27 00	3 78	30 78
7 of 1777-1791	61		do and Imp	W. H. Flewin	Wm. Hy. Flewin	20 25	2 83	23 08
1867	63		do	Est. W. C. Seeley	Wm. C. S. Seeley	35 82	5 01	40 83
1872	63		do and Imp	do	do	45 94	6 43	52 37
Part	3	Beckley Farm	do	R. R. Bayne	Richard R. Bayne	24 00	3 36	27 36
5	15-16	do	do	W. D. Morgan	Winslow D. Morgan	19 86	2 78	22 64
31	20	do	do and Imp	Fred. McGraw	Frederick McGraw	18 99	2 66	21 65
W ½ 32	20	do	do	do	do	7 62	1 06	8 68
10	21	do	do and Imp	W. H. Cowper	Wm. Hy. Cowper	51 00	7 14	58 14
11	21	do	do	do	do	48 00	6 72	54 72
12	21	do	do	do	do	55 50	7 77	63 27
6 of 7-9	22	do	do	T. Corsan	Thomas Corsan	11 25	1 57	12 82
2	1	Christ Ch. Tr. est.	do	W. H. Ellis	Wm. H. Ellis	24 00	3 36	27 36
11	1	do	do and Imp	do	do	35 25	4 93	40 18
6	37	Fairfield Estate	do	J. E. Martin	James Douglas	4 50	63	5 13
22	37	do	do	Richard Robinson	do	4 12	57	4 69
10	4	19	do	Catherine J. John	Catherine J. John	3 00	42	3 42
	14	68 (Map 261)	do	Est. W. R. Clarke	Wm. R. Clarke	23 24	3 25	26 49
17	5a	68 & 74 (Map 260 a)	do	A. L. Belyea	Benjamin S. Oddy	2 40	33	2 73
25	5a	do	do	do	do	2 40	33	2 73
2	3	74	do	Mrs. Agnes Reid	Agnes Reid	4 87	68	5 55
3	3	74	do	do	do	3 38	47	3 85
35	5	74	do	Wm. Farmer	Euphemia Cline	4 05	56	4 61
37	5	74	do	Wm. Moore	do	3 38	47	3 85
36	5	74	do	Dr. L. N. McKechnie	do	3 37	47	3 84
38	5	74	do	do	do	4 05	56	4 61
N ½ 6	Regent's park.	74	do	J. J. Austin	John J. Austin	4 50	63	5 13
7 do	do	74	do	do	do	16 50	2 31	18 81
8 do	do	74	do	do	do	13 50	1 89	15 39
19	2-3	Fernwood Estate.	do	E. G. Anderson	P. W. Patterson and Ed. G. Anderson	1 39	19	1 58
34	2-3	do	do and Imp.	J. H. Brownlee	Annie Hind	15 00	2 10	17 10
11	13 17 &c	do	do	H. Smith	William Wilson	3 75	52	4 27
Part	21-22	do	do and Imp.	P. S. Fenerty, et al	Sarsfield, Joseph, Kate, Anna and John Fenerty	300 99	42 13	343 12
Part	36	do	do do	do	do do	89 42	12 53	101 95
16	34	do	do do	John Colbert	Daniel R. Young	17 25	2 41	19 66
N ½ 3	58-59	do	do do	J. J. Austin	J. J. Austin	5 25	73	5 98
32	69	do	do	John Teague	John Teague	5 25	73	5 98
33	69	do	do	do	do	6 00	84	6 84
35	69	do	do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
37	69	do	do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
111	69	do	do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
18	45-48 &c	25	do	Chan Man Cheong	E. B. C. Hannington and Hy. Croft	2 70	38	3 08
74	do	25	do	W. H. Phillpot	Wm. H. Philpott	5 01	70	5 71
87	do	25	do	G. A. McBain	John D. Foreman	6 56	92	7 48
34	69-72	Spring Ridge	do and Imp	C. Farrington	Christopher Farrington	7 50	1 05	8 55
13	69-72	do	do do	Mrs. M. R. Robbins	Clara O'Haggerty	9 00	1 26	10 26
8	Suburban 5-acre lots N ½ 7		do and Imp.	W. J. Cline	Walter J. Chine	21 00	2 94	23 94
34	do	do 8	do do	Thos. Tugwell	Thomas Tugwell	17 25	2 41	19 66
18	do	do 19	do	F. H. Curry	Frank H. Curry	5 40	75	6 15
W ½ 36	do	do 19	do	Mrs. John Smith	John Smith	2 70	38	3 08
W ½ 59	do	do 19	do	do	do	2 70	38	3 08
14	A	Finlayson Est	do and Imp.	Mrs. Kate Wilson	Joseph Wilson	25 50	3 57	29 07
8	B	do	do do	T. J. Dearberg	Thomas J. Dearberg	18 00	2 52	20 52
12	C	do	do	Tong Yue & Co	Charles J. Mulkey	18 00	2 52	20 52
15	Q	Work Estate	do	N. P. Snowden	Northing P. Snowden	9 00	1 26	10 26
16	Q	do	do	do	do	10 50	1 47	11 97
17	1, 7, 8, 9	do (Map 162)	do	Loo Chong Shang & Chow Kai	Royal Agnew	33 73	4 72	38 45
96	7	Hillside Ext. IV	do	Donald Smith	Donald Smith	13 50	1 89	15 39
97	7	do IV	do and Imp	do	do	17 25	2 41	19 66
128	9	do IV	do do	J. A. Grant	James A. Grant	14 25	1 99	16 24
161	10	do IV	do	James Jeffery	James Jeffrey	9 75	1 36	11 11
253	13	do C	do and Imp.	Mrs. L. Winnett	Lydia Winnett	7 50	1 05	8 55
255	13	do C	do do	do	do	7 50	1 05	8 55
6 of 3	7-9	Saanich Ext	do	Sam Wai	Sam Wai	3 38	47	3 85
10 of 4	7-9	do	do	do	do	3 00	42	3 42
22 of 1	56 57 &c	29-30 Oaklands	do and Imp.	A. V. Wover	Emanuel Levy and Emmanuel J. Salmon	5 99	84	6 83
2 of 2	do	do do	do	G. P. Carter	Joshua Davies			
					Henry Moss	4 23	59	4 82
1 of 3	do	do do	do	F. J. Julitt	do do	2 70	38	3 08
14 of 3	do	do do	do	do	do do	2 70	38	3 08
22 of 3	do	do do	do	Est. Geo. Fairbrother	do do	2 70	38	3 08
	10	do do	do	C. Farrington	Not registered	52 00	7 28	59 28
1	1-5	10 Victoria West	do	Thos. Henderson	Thos. Henderson	4 50	63	5 13
2	1-5	10 do	do	do	do	4 13	58	4 71
25	1-5	10 do	do	R. Kenny	Emanuel J. Salmon	3 37	47	3 84
37	1-5	10 do	do	Robt. Whittly	do	3 38	47	3 85
10	8-12	10 do	do	Thos. Turnbull	Thomas Turnbull	4 13	58	1 02
11	8-12	10 do	do	do	do	2 25	31	2 56
5	13-17	10 do	do	Thos. Henderson	Thomas Henderson	5 25	73	5 98
6	13-17	10 do	do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
25	F	31	do	Styles & Banfield	George Elvin	9 75	1 37	11 12
25a	F	31	do and Imp.	do do	do	7 50	1 05	8 55
19 of 101-4 &c.	N	31	do	Mrs. T. N. Butcher	Thomas N. Butcher	1 50	21	1 71
27 do	N	31	do	do	do	1 50	21	1 71
188	W	31	do and Imp.	T. W. Fletcher	Thomas W. Fletcher	4 88	68	5 56
183	X	31	do do	Mrs. L. M. Boggs	Louisa M. Boggs	7 50	1 05	8 55
184	X	31	do and Imp.	do	do	25 50	3 57	29 07
8	Lime Bay	31	do do	W. R. Jones	Wilfrid R. Jones	9 75	1 36	11 11
12	do	31	do and Imp.	do	do	9 75	1 36	11 11
15	1-6	32	do do	M. Lefurgy	Beaumont Boggs	2 25	32	2 57
16	1-6	32	do do	J. M. Morris	do	2 25	32	2 57
Pt. 3	11-12	32	do do	Jno. Kinsman	Elbridge J. Christie	1 70	23	1 93
Pt. 4	11-12	32	do do	do	do	1 33	19	1 52
8	18 19 &c	32	do do	McKay & Cannell	Kenneth Cannell and Alexander McKay	7 63	1 07	8 70

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November 24th, 1897.

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2. A belt of land, five miles in width, extending back from the shoreline of the whole of that portion of Teslin Lake which lies within the Province.

3. A belt of land commencing at a point five miles below Glenora, on the Stickeen river; thence up the said river to a point five miles above Telegraph Creek, and having a width of five miles on each side of the said river

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to construct, equip, operate by any kind or kinds of motive power, and maintain either a standard or narrow gauge railway for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point at or near Pyramid Harbour, on the Lynn Canal in a northerly or northwesterly direction, and by the most direct and feasible route to a point on the boundary line between this province and the Northwest Territory of Canada, and with power to construct equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharfs, docks, and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity or any kind of motive power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company, and to acquire lands bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipality, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies; and with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria, the 3rd day of December, A.D. 1897.

R. T. ELLIOTT,
Solicitor for the Applicants.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate by any kind or kinds of motive power, and maintain either a standard or narrow gauge railway for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point at or near Portland Inlet or Portland Canal, Cassiar District, British Columbia by the most direct and feasible route to a point at or near Teslin Lake; and with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharves, docks and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own, equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches; and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity or any kind of motive power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipality, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to make traffic or other arrangements with railways steamboats or otner companies: and with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria the 4th day of August, A.D. 1897.

HUNTER & OLIVER,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a railway of standard or any other gauge from a point at or near the head of Lynn canal northward along Dalton's trail or as near thereto as practicable to a point at or near Fort Selkirk in the North West Territories, with power to connect with any railway in American Territory, and to construct, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, ways, bridges and ferries, and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith, and with power to build, equip, own and maintain steam and other vessels and boats, and to operate the same on any navigable waters, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the proposed railway and works, and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power, and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any government, municipal corporations, or other persons or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railway, ferries, wharves and vessels, and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway steamboat or other companies, and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf.

ROBERT CASSIDY,
32 Langley St., Victoria, B C.,
Solicitor for the applicants.

November 16th, 1897. n16

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of developing and tusning to commercial use the Iron Ore deposits situate upon and near the coast line of the province of British Columbia, and to that end, to construct blast furnaces, rolling mills, roads, tramroads, railroads, docks wharves, houses, buildings, wharves, docks, steam and other ships, hydraulic power plant and works, electric power and electric lighting plant and works, plate-rolling plant, tin-plating plant, and such other plant and appliances for the manufacture of pig iron, steel blooms and billets, tin plates and generally to do all things necessary and conductive to the establishment of iron, steel and tin plate works and manufactories, and for the establishment of a home trade and an export trade, and to acquire lands, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies, and generally to do, acquire, receive and perform all usual and necessary rights, powers privileges and aids for giving full effect to the intentions of the applicant herein before set forth.

Dated at Victoria, the 8th day of December, 1897.

JOHN COBELDICK,
Applicant.

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SOME QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

We are in receipt of a letter from San Francisco asking a number of questions, and stating that if they are answered through the columns of the COLONIST, the writer knows that hundreds of people will be gratified. Therefore, at the risk of repetition, we comply with his request.

The first question is as to whether everything necessary for a trip to the Yukon can be bought in Victoria, if a general variety of goods is carried in stock, and if our outfitters know how to pack the goods. We answer this question in the affirmative, and add that Victoria merchants, having outfitted miners for remote localities such as Cariboo, Omenica and Cassiar, know what miners need and how it should be put up probably better than anyone else. We refer our correspondent to our advertising columns.

The second question is as to how Victoria prices compare with prices in San Francisco and Seattle. In most lines prices are lower here than in either of the cities mentioned, and in woollen goods very much lower. When the duty is added to goods purchased by miners in the United States, there is a difference of fully 30 per cent. in favor of Victoria. The statement is persistently made that a large portion of a miner's outfit bought in Victoria consists of United States goods. This is incorrect. The only considerable items to which this statement applies are hams and bacon and rubber goods, a considerable portion of which do come from the United States. There is an advantage in buying such goods here, because Victoria wholesalers buy at the lowest prices and the duty comes less on large wholesale lots than on small retail lots, such as a miner would buy.

The third question, which refers to the experience of Victoria merchants, is answered above.

The fourth question is as to the proper place to obtain licenses to mine in the Yukon. No license is needed in the Northwest Territory as the regulations now stand, but claims have to be recorded. The only record office at present is that at Dawson City, but we expect others will be established in the spring. Many persons going by the Stickeen-Teslin route will desire to prospect in British Columbia. For this they need a license in advance. It can be obtained at Victoria and will cost $5.

Replying to the fifth question, we may say that goods purchased at Victoria will not be subject to any duty on entering the Northwest by the Stickeen-Teslin route. In the case of single parties an escort will probably be needed for about a day's journey up the Stickeen, where it runs through territory in the possession of the United States. The transportation companies doing business on this route will doubtless look after this matter for persons who are in their charge.

Answering our correspondent's sixth question, we refer to our advertising columns for information as to transportation facilities. It would not be advisable to count upon making purchases of any kind at Wrangel or anywhere in the interior. Everything ought to be bought before taking the steamer at Victoria.

The seventh question is as to the best place to get boats and as to the facilities for getting down the Yukon from Lake Teslin. On this point we refer also to our advertising columns. We may add that boats can be built at Lake Teslin, but if it is feasible to take boats through it would be doubtless found the better plan. We think it would be found practicable to do so.

The eighth question refers to transportation companies, and for answer we refer to our advertising columns.

In reply to the ninth question we may say that there is no doubt that after January 15th, unless the winter is exceptionally mild, there will be no difficulty in transporting goods up the Stickeen river on sleds drawn by horses. There would be no feed obtainable on the way, and persons intending to use horses would have to carry provender with them from Victoria. Horses, sleds and harness could probably be got for $200; but there would be some delay about getting sleds, as none are kept on hand, i. e. horse sleds. The passage up the river by sleds drawn by horses is safe and practicable, in view of the fact that there is likely to be a great many teams upon the river, which will keep the road open. The distance is 148 miles. If the road is in good shape, a loaded team ought to be able to make the distance in four days. If it is not in good shape, the time required will of course be longer. There are no stopping places on the way. Sleds could be hauled up by hand, and a man could probably haul over smooth ice 300 pounds without difficulty.

In reply to question 10: The Stickeen usually breaks up during the last weeks in April.

Question 11: Dogs can be used on the Stickeen, but they are not necessary. Dogs cannot be obtained readily here or anywhere up the Coast; but they can be got, if sufficient notice is given, at a cost of about $50 each.

Replying to question 12, we may say that it is yet too early for us to quote steamer fares to Telegraph Creek. Last summer's figures would be no guide.

Question 13: The ice is said to go out of Teslin Lake during the latter part of May, but the date cannot be fixed with certainty. The Hootalinqua is doubtless open at that date. The lake will remain closed for a longer period, but as it is not a broad sheet of water and two considerable streams flow into it, the ice will not remain much longer than in the river.

Some of the points referred to in question 14 have been covered above. On other points mentioned in this question we may say: There will be pack horses on the trail between Telegraph Creek and Teslin Lake in the spring. There will be no places for shelter on the way except such as may be erected by transportation companies or by advance bodies of prospectors. The trail is said to be excellent for its entire length for winter travel, and for spring travel until the ground has fully thawed. It will not be passable for wagons until a great deal of work has been done, but both the Dominion and the Provincial governments have in contemplation the necessary expenditure. Packing can be done over the trail all through the year because it will be improved so as to make all parts of it serviceable to pack animals. There are good camping grounds all the way from Wrangel to Teslin Lake with plenty of wood for fuel. There is lumber at the lake for boat building, and a party are now taking a saw mill in. The supply of wood is not very extensive near the lake, but considerable timber is reported in the neighborhood within reach. We do not think dog teams can be hired. The wages of Indians at Telegraph Creek are $2.50 per day with board. Guides are not necessary as the trail will be well travelled.

We cannot say definitely how many steamers will ply between Victoria and Wrangel this next spring and summer, but expect that there will be at least daily sailings.

In reply to the sixteenth and last question, we may say that the Stickeen-Teslin route has some special advantages. On of them is that after Telegraph Creek has been reached the prospector is in a region that will repay examination. On the Stickeen itself there are doubtless good quartz deposits. The Hootalinqua and its tributaries are gold-bearing, and the Big Salmon, which joins the Yukon a short distance below the Hootalinqua, is said to be a very promising stream. The severe weather on the Stickeen-Teslin route will be encountered on the lower part of the river valley, and, therefore, on a sea level. Where the summits are to be crossed there is never much snowfall. The whole route is free from serious dangers. No route into the Yukon affords a pleasure trip; but we think that of all, that *via* the Stickeen is the least dangerous. Those who have been over it pronounce it an easy trail.

BRITAIN IN THE ORIENT.

Late dispatches from London say that the idea of an *entente* existing between Russia and Germany in regard to the occupation of Northern China is ridiculed in well-informed circles. COLONIST readers may recall that this paper took the ground some time ago that such an agreement seemed intrinsically improbable. The statement is now made that Prince Henry of Prussia bore with him on his recent visit to Her Majesty an autograph letter from the Kaiser, in which the latter sought to secure the sanction of Great Britain to his plans, and at the Chinese embassy in London the idea prevails that a complete understanding exists between the British government and Germany. In support of this view it is pointed out that permission has been given for the vessels of the German squadron *en route* to the Chinese station to coal at British stations; but we fancy that this concession may easily be construed to signify much more than it implies, our impression being that if one nation requests another at a time of peace to permit its vessels to coal at the other's stations, a refusal would be regarded as an unfriendly act. Another rumor is to the effect that an Anglo-Japanese-American alliance is to be negotiated to prevent the Continental European powers from obtaining control of China. This, we fancy, must, like all the other stories on the subject, be taken with much allowance. That such an alliance would be a desirable thing may be freely admitted; but there is little cause to expect sufficient statesmanship from anyone, now in a position to guide affairs at Washington, to lead to the adoption of a policy looking to such a result. Our neighbors are singularly short of men able to grasp an international situation. President McKinley certainly is not of that class, and he has not surrounded himself with men who are. That it is to the interest of the United States to prevent the occupation of China by Russia and Germany is plain to the most superficial observer, but unhappily the quadrennial overturns at the White House prevent the elaboration of a foreign policy.

In the meantime we think no one need fear that British interests in the Orient will be neglected. Our fleet is incomparably the strongest in the China Sea, and no possible naval combination there can equal it. Some one has taken the trouble to telegraph from London that Great Britain stands ready to protect her rights, which is a piece of information that has not much of the element of novelty about it. Those rights are large, British interests in the Orient are more extensive than those of all other European nations combined. They are rendered more important because Canada occupies so large a part of one shore of the Pacific ocean and the Canadian ports are those in America that are most accessible from the Orient. It is impossible, therefore, for the British government or the British people to view with complacency anything that will be calculated to close the trade of China to them. War is a serious business, but there are some things that the British people will quickly fight to prevent, and the gobbling up of China by any combination of powers is one of them.

The Wise Men of the East are now cautioning people against the Yukon. We have nothing much to say about this. It is well that people should be cautioned. No one ought to start for the Yukon with the idea that he is going on a holiday trip, and that he will pick up a bushel of nuggets without any difficulty. Thousands of people will be successful, and this fact, taken in connection with the great activity which the exploitation of the country will induce, will give rise to all manner of opportunities for making money. Mining will be by no means the only way to get rich in British Columbia and the Northwest during the next few years, and will be far from being the safest way. In spite of all that can be said to the contrary, we hold that a new country, where mines are being developed and transportation lines are being opened, is a good place to be in. So far as the Wise Men aforesaid caution the public against Klondyke mining schemes, which are directed at the pockets of tenderfeet, we are in accord with them. We add our warning: Look out for the Klondyke wildcat.

A strong demand is being made in the United States for the publication of the pension list. Although thirty-two years have elapsed since the conclusion of the war, $161,000,000 is being paid out in pensions every year, and nearly a quarter of a million claims remain to be passed upon. The statement is freely made that the list is stuffed full of fraud, and it is claimed that its publication would enable this to be detected. It is a startling thing that after a third of a century of peace the war of secession should cost the United States annually very considerably more than it costs France to keep up her vast army. It seems likely that before the last of the secession pensions expire the United States will have paid on account of them $5,000,000,000, or one thousand times as much as it would have cost to have purchased the freedom of the slaves.

THE Post-Intelligencer informs the British government that it would consider it very dishonorable if it should refuse to accept the sealing award because there has been a change of ministers. What the Seattle paper does not know about British ways of doing things would make an extensive library.

A TESTIMONIAL is proposed to Harry Morton. Everyone who admires genuine pluck will be glad to contribute. Mr. Morton met with a severe loss lately by fire. It will be according to the fitness of things if he is put on his feet by water.

WE quote from the Rossland Miner the concluding paragraph of a long article on the Boundary railway which indicates how the wind blows in a certain section of Kootenay.

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WILLIAM SHARPE neglected to turn up at the police court yesterday morning to answer to a charge of vagrancy, and in consequence a warrant for his arrest was issued.

FOR New Year's Eve the Companions of the Forest have planned what promises to be a very enjoyable "Season's" ball. The function is to be held in the A.O.U.W. hall, and a strong attraction announced in connection, that has given the dance its name, will be a dress competition. There will be four prizes awarded for those who in costume best represent the different seasons.

A RUGBY football match will be played on Saturday afternoon (New Year's day) at the Caledonia grounds, between representatives of England and her colonies. Both teams will be strongly represented, and as they are very evenly matched a good game should result. A general admission of ten cents will be charged to cover the expenses of the ground, while the grand stand will be free as usual.

THE remains of the late Richard Roberts were laid at rest in Ross Bay cemetery yesterday afternoon. At the residence, on Blanchard street, Rev. Ralph W. Trotter conducted the funeral service, while representatives of Victoria lodge, I.O.O.F., of which the deceased had been a member, officiated at the grave. Those who acted as pall-bearers were F. Carne, past grand; J. Meldram, J. E. Phillips, R. Borthwick, J. Burk and W. Andean.

SANITARY OFFICER CHIPCHASE paid a visit on Sunday to Darcey island with supplies for the Chinese leper recently sent there from Vancouver. He found the report incorrect that one of the lepers had died, as all eight were found alive and as comfortable as it is possible to make them. Mr. Chipchase made his trip to the island in an open row-boat from Sydney, not exactly a pleasure excursion at this season of the year.

YESTERDAY by arrangement among the retail coal dealers of the city the price of double screened coal, hitherto sold at $5 per ton, was raised 50 cents, lump coal still remaining at $6 per ton. This change is explained by the dealers as being due to the fact that at the former price there was no money in the business, as the profit made was so very slight as not to pay for the handling of the coal. The mild weather, too, this winter has meant less coal used, and as one man put it, it meant either that the price must be raised or that the dealers go out of business.

AN interesting point was raised in the police court yesterday when Mr. D. F. Adams was charged with breaking the Streets by-law by allowing lumber from his sawmill at Point Ellice to encumber Henry street. Mr. Adams, who was defended by Mr. A. L. Belyea, maintained that Henry street has never been taken over by the city, and, therefore, the city could not exercise control over it. The magistrate upon hearing this adjourned the case till this morning, so that the city engineer might be brought as a witness to show whether Henry street is or is not city property.

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NEWS OF THE PASSES.

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The Procession of Pilgrims Slowly Making Its Way Over the Mountains.

SS. FARALLON, off Nanaimo, B.C., Christmas Day, 1897.

Before leaving Victoria on 15th October, by the City of Seattle steamship, in the first party of the Humbert Yukon expedition, I promised to send the COLONIST details of our movements, and have now to write that we arrived safely at Pyramid Harbor on the 20th. We were busily employed in securing and packing stores, pitching tents and arranging for the coming of our large party of 65 men, 275 horses, 150 cattle and 30 dogs, which reached Pyramid harbor on board the Colorado bark, towed by the tug Pioneer from Seattle, and which came at the same time as the steamship City of Seattle's second trip with cattle. All came in excellent condition. On the 6th November, I regret to say, our chief, Col. Smith, was unfortunately unable through serious indisposition to take personal command. The whole responsibility in consequence was deputed to the Colonel's brother, Mr. E. S. Smith, who has daily gained the confidence of all his subordinates by his unceasing energy and kind consideration to all.

Owing to unforeseen and weather causes there was some little delay in moving this large outfit, and it was 17th November when the first party, under the packmaster, Mr. Cameron's direction, with 125 horses, with 23 packers, left the first camp to form an advance camp and depot six miles nearer the summit, and named Watson's Camp, from the fact of my being the first settler there, and where I remained in charge. Each packer had one saddle and six pack horses to lead, and I also took a pack team. The trail was for some distance across immense boulders covered with ice, and the rough and irregular trail, almost impassable at times, caused many of our horses to fall, although we were fortunate in surmounting the difficulties without much loss. In some places we led our horses over the frozen sea or along the rocky beach, and horses were constantly in trouble. One of my pack horses broke through the ice into a creek, and should have certainly lost it but for the timely aid of two of our cowboys. We reached our destination—Watson's camp—in darkness. We took no tents with us but sleeping bags, and built our fire and made supper. Thermometer 15 below zero.

The next morning, 18th November, our men and horses went on with stores to the surveyors' camp, of the Humbert Yukon railroad survey, ten miles further than Watson's camp, and to remove their outfit to the summit. I may mention here that the survey is now completed to the summit. I remained in charge alone.

The next day, 19th November, some Indians came and kept me company all night around the camp fire. They told me white men were coming back, having failed to get through Chilkat pass.

On the 20th five Klondykers 57 days from Dawson City came into camp and stayed all night, having supper with me. They had all done well, and showed me some very fine nuggets; but were obliged to come out for food, and were going in again soon. One was a Nanaimo man.

On the 22nd Jack Dalton, Mr. Boyle, Swiftwater Bill and four others, with two Indian guides, came out via Dalton trail. Mr. Boyle is F. Slavin's partner, and they are doing well at Copper Creek, I hear. They came over Dalton's trail. On 24th one of the surveyors came in on horseback from their camp near Summit a bit scared having met a big grizzly.

On 25th J. W. Heywurd, special correspondent London Daily Mail, with Ben Stone and Going from Victoria, camped alongside me and started two days later with six dogs on Dalton trail to cross the Chilcat pass. On 24th Mr. Killie, the new packmaster came in with a quantity of stores from Pyramid harbor, and I heard for the first time Mr. Cameron had left the expedition. On Dec. 1st, left Hackley in charge of Watson's camp and started over sea ice on horse sled to new camp two and a half miles from Haynes Mission. The expedition has now found it necessary and advisable to remain here until the snow on Chilcat pass will be frozen hard to permit the horses and cattle sleds to get through. It is in places ten to fifteen feet deep—soft snow and impassable at present. All the men are well and in excellent spirits and the animals, horses, cattle and dogs, are strong. I took, on 12th instant, a dog team to Haynes Mission, Chilcat, and back to camp. The dogs gave me great satisfaction going strong and well. Both at Pyramid harbor and Haynes Mission every available plot of land has been pegged out and recorded in anticipation of the rush next year.

Thorpe party lost 15 horses near the Summit and returned with oxen to Pyramid harbor where I saw them Oct. 22nd in fine condition. They took them to Lake Bennett via. Skagway and slaughtered them and will take them to Klondyke on the ice when the lake is frozen over. The Thorpe boys are coming out from Dawson City and their father is going to meet them with provisions and four oxen as his boys are on their last sack of flour. Willis Thorpe starts in from Skagway, Dec. 19. Skagway is rapidly becoming a large and important town. There are three piers, two 1,500 feet, and one pier 1,800 feet for landing freight and passengers. Skagway News is a newspaper ten weeks old. Electric lighting is general, and there are now about 800 stores, dwellings and other buildings. Gambling is being carried on day and night openly.

People are going over the summit on an average of six a day, in fact it is better now than at any former time, although many give Dyea the preference, which town is also booming.

A sad death occurred to a young man named Samuel Wyckoff, aged twenty-six years. He was one of a party of five men. G. I. Klindt, Andrew Holm, William Hiltburn and Christ Rosenvend. They arrived at Skagway on the Willamette, August 14, bound for the interior. The men packed all their goods, consisting of 1,500 pounds each, to Lake Bennett on their backs, and were called the Tacoma pack train because of their untiring energy and ability to pack from 100 to 150 pounds each. They reached Lake Bennett with their entire outfit, where they were waiting for the lake to freeze to go ahead. Afterwards they came back over the Dyea trail, where Wyckoff died of congestion of the brain, caused by an accident. Deceased was an Odd Fellow, Ranier lodge No. 11, Tacoma, and has many sympathizers. He was shortly to have been married to a young lady in Tacoma, to which city his corpse is being taken on board the Farallon, under the charge of his friend George Klindt, who has the unpleasant duty to break the sad news to the widowed mother at Christmastide.

Skagway wages are keeping high, packers getting six dollars a day and board. Laborers unloading the Farallon were paid 50 cents an hour, and the captain of the scow paid many of his men $48 for last week's work.

Many persons are now going in from Fort Wrangel to Stickeen Island, where stores and accommodation can be supplied. Stickeen Island is only seven miles from Wrangel and the Alaskan is to run there, and those going in can take the ice straight from the north end of the island, which is now frozen, and commence their journey with sleds, on the ice, to Telegraph Creek. Three small parties have already started from the island. I hear the Yorke party are now making great progress at Teslin Lake and en route. Reed & Sylvester are building a three story hotel containing 100 rooms, which will soon be completed, at Wrangel. Mr. McIntyre, of Victoria, is manager. News received from Dawson City as late as November 3 is to the effect that there will be no famine in the Klondyke this winter if precautions be taken to husband the food supply already there. This is the opinion of Joe Kastner, of Helena, Montana, who left Dawson City November 3 in company with McLaughlin. They made the entire distance to Skagway on foot in 37 days—weather extremely cold at Big Salmon river, 52 degrees below, and 65 degrees for several days afterwards. Eight hundred people left Dawson for Fort Yukon, where there is plenty of food. Fully 6,000 persons remain in Dawson. The stores have few provisions to sell, but parties, who had taken in larger supplies than they required, were selling at one dollar a pound, whether bacon, beans, flour, sugar, etc., or anything they had to dispose of. Major Walsh was met at Big Salmon. His party being short of provisions, Captain Norwood and seven men were sent to the Hootalinqua.

Candles are very scarce, fetching 75 cents apiece. Coal oil $45 per gallon. Meat 75 cents per lb. Wages $1 to $1.50 per hour. Dr. A. McLaren of Montreal has returned by steamship Farallon after thoroughly investigating the trails, and will shortly lecture in the principal cities with lime light views taken of the most interesting features of the country and all the most reliable information gathered from his personal observation, and also what best to take and where to purchase, for the benefit of those about to enter the trail either at Skagway, Dyea, Dalton or Stickeen. The steamship Farallon is going to lay up for some time to enable alterations to be made to accommodate 250 passengers.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Pursuant to powers of sale contained in a certain indenture of mortgage dated the 17th day of July, 1895, and registered in the Land Registry office at Victoria, B. C. as No. 626d in charge book volume 13, folio 801. Tenders will be received by the undersigned on or before the 31st day of December, 1897, for the purchase of the farm known as Section 13 Sooke District, and containing 110 acres, more or less. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
Dated the 3rd day of December, 1897.
THOMAS R. SMITH,
Agent for Mortgagee.
Temple Building, Fort street, Victoria. de4

Official Mining Maps at THE COLONIST

THE CITY

THE Spring Ridge Methodist Sunday school will hold their annual Christmas tree this evening.

BISHOP PERRIN expects to hold his usual Bible class this afternoon at three in the cathedral schoolroom.

DURING the present week the veriscope, with its wonderfully lifelike representation of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight, will exhibit at the Delmonico. There was a crowded house at last night's performance.

AT the regular meeting of Seghers' Council, No. 85, Y.M.I., held last evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, S. A. Bantly; 1st Vice-President, J. McCurrach; 2nd Vice-President, J. J. Swain; Rec. Sec., J. L. Colbert; Fin. Sec., M. Steele; Cor. Sec., M. Reappock; Treasurer, Rev. Father Nicolaye; Marshal, M. Brinkman; Inside Sentinel, M. Lawless; Outside Sentinel, J. Enos; Executive Committee, J. Leonard, A. H. B. Hall, and E. Geiger.

THE Klondyke Snow and Ice Transit Company of Chicago propose to reach the Klondyke district next year by means of trains hauled by the Glover Snow and Ice locomotive. The present intention of the company is to start trains from Port Wrangel, run them up the Stickeen, thence to Teslin lake and the Hootalinqua river, the Lewis and the Yukon rivers to Dawson city. The first train, so Collector Milne has been informed, leaves Wrangel about the middle of January, and it is claimed by the promoters will form a very important factor in Northern travel. These trains have patents in both the United States and Canada and are said to have been proved to have been of great service in Northern logging regions.

THE Sons of St. George held their regular meeting last night, when the lodge was visited by D.D.G.W.P. Bradbury for the purpose of installation. The following members were installed: W. Kent, P.W.P.; Bro. F. V. Hobbs, W. P.; R. H. Munn, W.V.P.; Geo. Penketh, W.F.S.; W. H. Price, W. Treas.; F. Hepworth, W.M.; W. T. Savory, W. A.S.; J. W. N. Shepherd, W.A.M.; J. Renouf, W.C.; F. Kay, W.I.S.; H. Rivers, W.O.S. Four new members were initiated into the order and after business the members had a good time in keeping with the season of the year. On Friday evening the annual family social of the Sons and Daughters will be held when every member is expected to be present under penalty, with all the little sons and daughters in their places.

A SUCCESSFUL entertainment for the newsboys and streetboys of the city was held in Temperance hall last night. Rev. A. B. Winchester presided, and Mr. Lane managed a magic lantern to the satisfaction of the boys. Messrs. J. G. Brown, F. Richardson and R. H. Jameson entertained the boys with songs, Mesdames Douglas and Hall playing accompaniments. Revs. W. L. Clay and R. Trotter addressed the youngsters, and Mr. E. H. Parker recited two numbers, which were listened to with close attention and warmly applauded. Altogether the entertainment was a very satisfactory event. The committee having the matter in hand thank the following for donations of oranges, candies and nuts: Messrs. T. Earle, C. E. King, Wilson Bros., Clearihue, Rogers and Stuart, and Mrs. Collum. They also thank those who took part in the programme.

HANDSOME RESIDENCES.

Beautiful Bungalows to Be Erected at Oak Bay for Sir C. H. Tupper and Hon. Fred. Peters.

Two more are to be added to the many handsome residences which adorn Victoria, Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper and Hon. F. Peters being about to acquire a piece of land, beautifully situated, on the Oak Bay road, not far from Mount Baker hotel, on which the building of two bungalows will be immediately commenced. This style of dwelling is becoming daily more popular here and Mr. J. Gerhard Tiarks, the architect of Hon. Edgar Dewdney's charming bungalow residence on Rockland avenue, Mr. W. G. le Poer-Trench's no less attractive bungalow at North Saanich and the Messrs. Weilers' bungalow on Dallas road, together with many others, has been commissioned to prepare the plans for these two new houses and to take charge of the work.

The plans show that each house covers a space of over one hundred feet by seventy feet on the ground. Ascending a flight of steps on to the spacious verandah, the front door, which has a large plate glass panel, opens on to a panelled hall with a large, open fire-place. The drawing-room and dining-room, each with large bay windows, are on the right and left of the hall, and can be thrown into it by the opening of folding doors, thirteen feet wide, thus, if required, making one room of fifty feet by twenty feet.

The library, with its alcoves, will be entirely in cedar, with cedar bookcases all round and a richly panelled ceiling. Behind the dining-room, that is between the dining-room and kitchen, there will be a sitting-room, the larders, sculleries, storerooms, etc., being at the back of this again. Four Tudor arches make a pleasing feature. Down the main hall are corridors and the kitchen passages, although on the main floor are entirely isolated from the dwelling and bedroom portions. There are five bedrooms, besides dressing rooms, bath rooms, etc., on the main floor, while on the roof are the servants' bed rooms, bath room, childrens' play room and cedar lined linen rooms.

A special feature about the houses is that during the winter one side of the verandah will be entirely enclosed with glazed sashes, thus converting the verandah into a comfortable winter promenade.

Both bungalows will be supplied with electric light and everything which can conduce to the convenience and comfort of their occupants.

DISTRESS FROM EARACHE.

"I was troubled with earache for a long time," says Miss J. Johnson, Innisfall, N. W. T., "and after trying different remedies without success, used Hagyard's Yellow Oil as a last resort and I can really say that it cured me so completely that I have never had earache since."

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THE BOUNDARY RAILWAY.

The V., V. & E. people are solely responsible for the absence of a railway in the Boundary country to-day. But for their chartermongering and obstruction methods British Columbia would now be enjoying the benefits of the expenditure of $8,000 for every mile of the line from Robson to Penticton. And the worst of it is that their blockading methods continue as a curse on the prosperity of Southern British Columbia. The information from Victoria to the effect that Mr. Mann is endeavoring to secure a portion of the $4,000 a mile subsidy, in order to again blockade the Columbia & Western, shows plainly that they are at their old tricks again. It is, however, fairly safe to presume that this time the administration at Victoria will not be hoodwinked by the sophistries of D. D. Mann or anyone else representing either the V., V. & E. or the C.P.R.—Rossland Miner.

AS TO MR. KELLIE.

Politically Mr. Kellie is as unstable as water. He has made no permanent impression. The opposition should leave him severely alone.—Kootenaian.

ST. JOHN'S DAY.

Vancouver and Quadra Lodge Instals Officers According to the Ancient Masonic Way.

Last night Vancouver and Quadra lodge No. 2, A. F. & A.M., celebrated St. John's Day by installing the officers who will direct the lodge affairs during the year 1898. The gentlemen so honored by their brethren are: Messrs. M. H. Thompson, I.P.M.; A. Maxwell Muir, W.M.; C. E. Stallard, S.W.; F. V. Robertson, J.W.; Rev. Dr. Campbell, Chap.; J. B. Lovell, Treas.; C. Fletcher, Sec.; T. H. Horne, S.D.; W. A. Anderson, J.D.; Jas. Forman, Dir. of Cer.; E. B. Paul and W. H. Jones, Stewards; Jas. Shaw, I.G.; and F. Stockham, Tyler. The installation was conducted by R.W. Bro. D. Wilson, D.G.M., assisted by a number of the Grand lodge officers, among whom were: R.W. Bro. McMicking, and W. Bros. S. B. Netherby, J. J. Beatty, A. C. Muir, A. B. Erskine, J. E. Phillips and A. L. Belyea.

A pleasant feature of the proceedings was the presentation to Bro. Thompson, in immediate past master, of a very handsome past master's jewel, the presentation being made by W. Bro. Geo. Glover, and Bro. Thompson's acknowledgement of the honor conferred was appropriate and eloquent. Some time was afterwards spent around a well-stocked table, the company enjoying a pleasant evening with songs and recitations, interspersed with the loyal and fraternal toasts. The gathering was very agreeably surprised by the arrival in its midst of Mr. Richard Shaw, a member of the fraternity and of the lodge, direct from Dawson City via Teslin and Stickeen. He was accorded a royal welcome.

MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED.

The Police of New Jersey Anxious to Solve the Identity of a Supposed Victim.

The police of New Jersey are in communication with the Victoria officials with regard to a young man whose body was found not long ago at Arlinton, Bergen County, that state, and who for some reason or other they believe to have come from this city. The body was found on October 17 last, and the following description is given of it:

Age, apparently about 23; height, 5 feet 8 inches; 150 pounds in weight; teeth filled with gold; scar on leg below the knee. Dressed in black diagonal coat and vest; black cheviot trousers; heavy brown overcoat; outing shirt and Dunlap Derby hat. In the clothing were found some ten keys, a strip of telephone wire, pocket comb and tooth brush.

A photograph has followed this description and is now to be seen at police headquarters. The young man is supposed to have been murdered, but for what reason is as little understood here, as the reasons prompting the New Jersey police to conclude that he is from this city.

Seems as if consumption always picks out the brightest and best. Fully one-sixth of all the deaths that occur in the world are caused by consumption. Many things were once considered impossible. It would be strange if medical science did not make some progress. The telegraph and telephone, the phonograph, the electric light—all were once impossible, and once it was impossible to cure consumption. That was before the time of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Taken according to directions, this standard remedy will cure 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption. Consumption is caused and fostered by impurity in the blood. It is cured by purity and richness in the blood—surely, certainly cured by the "Medical Discovery." It builds up solid healthy flesh and vigorous strength.

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NOTE—Supplies for the Klondyke Mines bought outside of Canada are subject to Customs Duties averaging over 30 per cent.

MORE NORTHERN BOATS.

Two New Steamers to be Built in Addition to Two More Chartered.

So far as local information is concerned, there is considerable uncertainty as to whether or not the steamer Farallon will make another trip North before undergoing an overhauling. The steamer is soon to receive a new boiler, and if this has arrived on the Sound from the East the vessel will be immediately laid up. Otherwise she will make one more trip North, the company operating her has, it is understood, secured two more vessels to run in connection with the northern business, and these, it is believed, will be in their new service ere long. The Farallon reached Port Townsend on Saturday evening, not calling at Victoria, as she had only two passengers for this city and these were transferred to the City of Kingston. The steamer on her way down experienced very rough weather.

FOR STICKEEN TRAVEL.

Before many days the Hudson's Bay Company's steamer Caledonia, which for several years past has plied on the Stickeen river, will return to Victoria to be torn to pieces. Her machinery is wanted for a new boat, to be one of the two for whose construction the owners have been calling for tenders for some time. These tenders were all to be in yesterday, but up to a late hour in the day Manager Thompson did not know who would be awarded the contract. The steamers are to be 140 feet and of a first-class type, with large passenger accommodation.

MARINE NOTES.

The Quadra took supplies out to the Race Rocks lighthouse yesterday, landing at the same time the Agent of Marine. To-day she will leave for Comox to coal.

Christmas being over, sealers will now make no delay in getting started on their spring cruises. The Mary Ellen, Captain Searle, sailed last evening and others will follow immediately. The The Umbrina and Mascot are on Turpel's ways to receive an overhauling, but no work will be done on them until rain abates.

The Canadian-Australian steamship Miowera is due to arrive on the 1st, while the Victoria, of the N.P. line, is expected from China and Japan to-day.

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Str. Charmer ..... from Vancouver.
" City of Kingston " Port Townsend.
" Walla Walla ..... " " "
" Oscar ..... " Fraser.
" City of Topeka ... " Sitka.
" Umatilla ..... " San Francisco.

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Str. Charmer ..... for Vancouver.
" City of Kingston. " Port Townsend.
" Umatilla ..... " " "
" City of Topeka... " " "
" Oscar ..... " Fraser.
" Walla Walla ..... " San Francisco.

Eating is a necessity. To the healthy, it is a pleasure; to the dyspeptic, a torture. By the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the weakest and most disordered stomach is restored to its natural condition, and food is once more partaken of with youthful relish and satisfaction.

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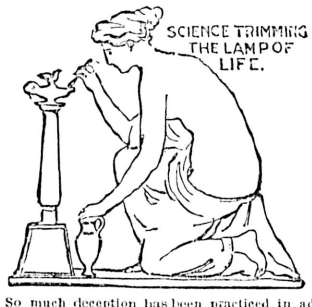

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Write to the ERIE MEDICAL COMPANY, BUFFALO, N.Y., and refer to seeing the account of their offer in this paper.

NOTICES.

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ASSESSMENT ACT.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision and Appeal will sit as follows:—

For the Electoral Districts of Victoria City:—At 51 Langley street, in the City of Victoria, on Monday the 10th and Tuesday 11th days of January, 1898, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For the Electoral District of South Victoria:—At the Royal Oak, on Friday the 7th day of January, 1898, at 11:30 o'clock a.m., and at John Camp's, South Saanich, on Wednesday, the 12th day of January, 1898 at 12 o'clock noon.

For that portion of North Victoria Electoral District known as North Saanich:—On Saturday the 8th day of January, 1898, at the Sidney Hotel, Sidney, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Electoral District of Esquimalt:—On Friday, the 31st day of December, 1897, at Henry Price's, Parson's Bridge, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For that portion of the Electoral Districts of Comox and Cassiar, known as the Coast, Rupert, Sayward and Quatsino Land Districts:—At 51 Langley street, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 28th day of December, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For that portion of the Cowichan-Alberni Electoral District known as Barclay and Clayoquot Land Districts:—At 51 Langley street, Victoria, on Wednesday, the 29th day of December, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

Dated at Victoria, this 6th day of Dec. 1897.

S. PERRY MILLS,
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

NOTICE.

Owners of Placer claims are invited to send a few ounces of the black or grey sand obtained in washing the gravel for gold to "The Provincial Mineralogist, Bureau of Mines, Victoria," stating the name of the creek from which the sand is taken, and its locality.

It is believed that PLATINUM and perhaps IRIDIUM, are frequently passed over and lost by the prospector, as they have much the appearance of iron in the sand. These minerals are as valuable as gold, the latter more so, and if the placer claim owners will send the black or grey sand as aforesaid it will be assayed and the results given to the owner.

JAMES BAKER,
del4 Minister of Mines.

ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RAILWAY CO.

NOTICE.

To prospectors miners and holders of mineral claims on unoccupied land within the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company land grant *FOR ONE YEAR ONLY* from the date of this notice the Railway Company will sell their rights to all minerals (excepting coal and iron) and the surface rights of mineral claims at the price of $5.00 per acre. Such sales will be subject to all other reservations contained in conveyances from the Company prior to this date. One half of the purchase money to be paid ten days after recording the claim with the Government, and a duplicate of the record to be filed in the Company's Land Office, Victoria, on payment of the first instalment. The balance of the purchase money to be paid in two equal instalments, at the expiration of six and twelve months without interest. Present holders of minerals claims who have not previously made other arrangements with the Company for acquiring surface and mineral rights, are hereby notified to at once make the first payment on their claims, as otherwise they will be deemed and treated as trespassers.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.
Victoria, B.C., June 1st, 1897. jt5

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NORTHERN SETTLEMENTS—SS. Comox sail from Company's wharf every Tuesday at 9 a.m for Bowen Island, Howe Sound, Sechelt, Jervis Inlet, Froeck, Texada Island, Lund, Hernando Island, Cortes Island, Read Island, Valdez Island, Shoal Boy, Phillips Arm, Frederick Arm, Thurlow Island, Loughborough Inlet, Salmon River, Port Neville, and sails every Friday at 11 a.m. for way ports and Shoal Bay, calling at Bute Inlet every six weeks.

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TIME TABLE No. 29.

To take effect at 7 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 4, 1897. Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

GOING NORTH—READ DOWN.

	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	9.00	3:00
Ar. Nanaimo	1:15	6 11
Ar. Wellington	12:30	6 30

GOING SOUTH—READ UP.

	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
Ar. Victoria	12:07	7:00
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:51	3:43
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8:30	3 30

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City of Nanaimo, W. D. Owen, Master.

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" Nanaimo for Comox, Tuesday 7 a.m.
" Comox for Nanaimo, Thursday, 8 a.m.
" Nanaimo for Victoria, Friday, 7 a.m.

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C. P. Navigation Co. Ld.

TIME TABLE NO 31.
Takes effect November 18th. 1897.

VANCOUVER ROUTE.

Victoria to Vancouver—Daily, except Monday, at 1 o'clock.
Vancouver to Victoria—Daily, except Monday, at 13:15 o'clock, or on arrival of C.P.R. No. 1 train.

NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE.

LEAVE VICTORIA for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island—Sunday at 23 o'clock; Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock. Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 2 going East Monday.
For Plumper Pass—Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock.
For Moresby and Pender Islands—Friday at 7 o'clock.
LEAVE NEW WESTMINSTER for Victoria—Monday at 13:15 o'clock; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock
For Plumper Pass—Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.
For Pender and Moresby Islands—Thursday at 7 o'clock.

NORTHERN ROUTE.

Steamships of this Company will leave for Fort Simpson and intermediate ports, via Vancouver, the 1st and 15th of each month at 8 o'clock. And for Skidgate on first of each month.

BARCLAY SOUND ROUTE.

Steamer Tees leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound Ports the 8th and 30th of each month.

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10:30 a.m.	Rossland	3:25 p.m.
9:00 a.m.	Nelson	5:20 p.m.

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"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

CANADA.
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,

No. 24-'97.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that "The Klondyke Mining, Trading and Transport Corporation, Limited," is authorised and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth to which the Legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate at 23 Leadenhall Street, in the City of London, England.

The amount of the capital of the Company is £250,000, divided into 250,000 shares of £1 each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at No. 30 Broad Street, Victoria, and Caldwell Ashworth, gentleman and free miner, of same address, is the attorney for the Company.

The objects for which the Company has been established are—

(*a*) To acquire in the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere by purchase, lease, concession, exchange or otherwise, mining property, claims, water rights, and also including lands, mines, mining rights and claims, minerals, ores, mills, stamps, smelting and other works for treating ores and minerals and rendering them marketable metals, including also all kinds of building, machinery and plant useful or supposed to be useful in mining, milling, treating or reducing ores or minerals, and any concessions, grants, decrees, claims, rights or privileges whatsoever which may seem to the Company capable of being turned to account, and to work, develop, carry out, exercise and turn to account the same, and to dispose of any such concessions, grants, decrees, claims, or privileges.

(*b*) To carry on all kinds of exploration business and, in particular in relation to mines and minerals, to seek for and secure openings for capital, and with a view to any of the objects aforesaid, to prospect, enquire, examine, explore and test, and to despatch and employ expeditions, commissions, experts or other agents. To establish and carry on general stores and to manufacture, import, export, purchase and sell articles for sale therein in Canada, England or elsewhere, and carry on any works in connection therewith, and to carry on business as traders, merchants, storekeepers, general dealers, brokers, hotel, restaurant, cafe, tavern, beerhouse and refreshment room keepers, licensed victuallers, wine and spirit merchants proprietors of clubs, baths, places of amusement and shops, tobacco and cigar merchants, carriage builders, wheelwrights, horsedealers, newspaper proprietors, booksellers, printers, publishers, stationers, miners, farmers, stockmen, graziers, carriers, builders and contractors, brickmakers and any kindred trade or business which may be conveniently carried on in connection therewith, and all kinds of agency business and any other kind of business which seems calculated directly or indirectly to further the working and development of any concession, rights or property of the Company or otherwise benefit the Company.

(*c*) To carry on all kinds of promotion business and in particular to form, constitute, float, lend money to, assist and control any companies, partnerships, associations, or undertakings whatsoever.

(*d*) To acquire by purchase, lease, license, or otherwise, absolutely or conditionally, the rights, either generally or exclusively, over any area or areas of or in all or any patent rights or processes or mechanical or other contrivances useful or supposed to be useful for any of the purposes of the Company, and to deal with or dispose of the same or any interest therein respectively.

(*e*) To lay out towns, and villages, on the lands acquired or controlled by the Company, and to construct, maintain, alter, make and work railways, tramways, telegraph lines, canals, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, roads, streets, hotels, boarding houses, dwelling houses, factories, shops, stores, gas and water works, piers, wharves, buildings, machinery and other works and appliances of every nature and description, which may be expedient or useful or deemed to be expedient or useful for the purposes of the Company, and to contribute to the cost of making, providing, and carrying on, and working the same.

(*f*) To carry on any business, the carrying on of which the Company may think directly or indirectly conducive to the development of any property in which it is interested.

(*g*) To sell, improve, manage, develop, lease, mortgage, dispose of, or otherwise deal with, all or any part of the property of the Company.

(*h*) To prospect, explore, and develop the resources of the said lands and hereditaments by building, planting, clearing, mining, and otherwise dealing with the same, and to stock the same or other lands, to cut and to sell timber, and generally to mine and carry on all sorts of mining operations in the Dominion of Canada, or any other part of the globe.

(*i*) To purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire, settle, improve, colonize, farm, and cultivate lands and hereditaments in the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere.

(*j*) To stock the same or other lands, and to breed and deal in all kinds of stock, cattle, sheep and produce.

(*k*) To work and carry on all or any mines, works and properties from time to time in possession of the said Company in such manner as the directors for the time being may determine; to erect all necessary mills and machinery, and appliances, smelting works, laboratories, workshops, dwelling houses and other buildings; construct, maintain, and alter canals, railways, watercourses, tramways, telegraph lines, or any other lines or system of communication whether by telegram, telephone, phonograph, phonophone, or otherwise, by electricity or by pneumatic force or otherwise, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, gas and water works, drainage works, irrigation works, wharves, piers, and other works of every nature and description, purchase, rent, hire, or charter wagons, steam or sailing ships, to enter into and carry out such contracts and arrangements as may be deemed necessary and desirable to enable the Company to carry on its business and for the general conduct and management of its affairs and the doing of all such other things as may be found incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, whether in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain or elsewhere.

(*l*) To buy, sell, manufacture and deal in all kinds of goods, stores, implements, provisions, chattels and effects capable of being used or required by the Company or its workmen, or by any other persons who may settle on the property of the Company, or by others, and for that purpose to carry on the business of a general shopkeeper or merchant.

(*m*) To purchase, build, charter, equip, load (either on commission or otherwise), sell, repair, let out to hire and trade with steam or other ships, boats and vessels of all kinds. To carry on the business of carriers by land and water.

(*n*) To acquire by grant, purchase or otherwise, concessions of any property or privileges from any government, British, Colonial or foreign, and to perform and fulfil the terms and conditions.

(*o*) To obtain any act of Parliament or law or order of any Colonial or foreign legislature or government for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect.

(*p*) To promote, form and register other Companies, in England or in any Colony, dependency, foreign country, state or territory, for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property and liabilities of this Company, or for all or any of the objects mentioned in this Memorandum, or for advancing directly or indirectly the objects or interests thereof, and to take or otherwise acquire and to underwrite and hold shares, debentures or other securties in or of any such company, and to guarantee the payment of any debentures or other securities issued by any such company.

(*q*) To take or otherwise acquire and hold shares, debentures, bonds, or other securities of or in any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company, or carrying on any business capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company.

(*r*) To enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interests, or co-operation with any person or company carrying on or about to carry on any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company, and to take or otherwise acquire and hold shares or stock in any such Company. To aid in the establishment and support of associations for the benefit of persons employed by or having dealings with the Company, and in particular friendly societies.

(*s*) To carry on all kinds of financial or banking business, and in particular to negotiate loans and advances, to offer for subscription, place, buy, deal in, make merchantable, sell and dispose of ores, minerals, goods, bullion, specie, and valuables of all kinds, and merchandise generally in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain, or elsewhere, and to receive money on deposit, and to collect revenue of all kinds.

(*t*) To sell the undertaking of the Company or any part thereof for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures, or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in specie, but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital be made without the sanction of the Court, where necessary. To amalgamate with any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any person or company carrying on any business which this Company is authorized to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of this Company.

(*u*) To make, accept, endorse and execute, promissory notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments. To lend money, and in particular to persons having dealing with the Company. To raise money in such manner as the Company shall think fit, and in particular by the issue of debentures charged upon all or any of the Company's property (both present and future) including its uncalled capital or any specified portion thereof. To guarantee the performance of contracts by members of, or persons having dealings with the Company.

(*v*) To acquire patent rights and privileges in the United Kingdom or any other country or colony or state for any purposes deemed to be useful for the Company, and to resell the same or turn the same to account by manufacturing thereunder, granting licenses or otherwise.

(*w*) To lend money to any company, partnership, person, or association upon security of their or his undertaking, property, estate, assets, and effects, or any part thereof, upon such terms as may be deemed expedient, and to take such security either in the shape of mortgages, mortgage debentures, or in any other form, or to lend money in Canada or Great Britain or elsewhere with or without security. To make donations to such persons and in such cases as may seem expedient, and to subscribe for any purposes, whether charitable or benevolent, or for any public, general, or useful object.

(*x*) To pay the costs, charges, and expenses of, or in connection with the formation and incorporation of the Company, and to remunerate any person or persons for services rendered or to be rendered to the Company, either in cash or in shares of the Company, either wholly or partly paid up.

(*y*) To establish and maintain agencies of this Company in any colony or foreign state, and to procure the Company to be registered or incorporated in any colony or foreign state.

(*z*) To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, either alone or in partnership or in conjunction with any person or other association, and either as principals or agents, and including a power to pay brokerage or commission for services rendered in obtaining or guaranteeing or underwriting capital for the Company or otherwise.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this eleventh day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
de11 Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

No. 11-'97.

Certificate of the Registration of an Extra-Provincial Company.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

"Star Exploring and Mining Company."

Registered the 13th day of December, 1897.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day registered the "Star Exploring and Mining Company" as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897."

The head office of the Company is situated in the City of Terre Haute, State of Indiana, U.S.A.

The amount of the capital of the Company is $50,000, divided into shares of the par value of $1 each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate in Victoria, and E. E. Wootton, Barrister and Solicitor whose address is the same, is the attorney for the Company.

The time of the existence of the Company is fifty years.

The objects for which the Company has been established and registered are: Mining, leasing buying or selling mineral lands or mining properties, buying or selling mineral ores or mining materials, and the working and operating of mines and the reducing or smelting of ores, and the doing of all that may be necessary to carry on a mining business.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this thirteenth day of December 1897.

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The expedition, which will be accompanied by eighty teams of horses, sleighs, and three trains of dogs, will be in charge of Hon. Edgar Dewdney ex-Minister of the Interior of Canada and ex-Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia and will be accompanied by Mr. Caldwell Ashworth, of London, a Director of the Corporation

The expedition will proceed to Fort Wrangel on its own X 100 A 1 screw ocean steamer "Amur," or by some other suitable vessel, leaving Victoria about the 15th February.

At Wrangel it is proposed to transfer to the Stickeen River and continue the journey on the ice via Stickeen River and the villages of Glenora and Telegraph Creek, thence by snow road to Teslin Lake.

At Teslin Lake boats and scows will be built to convey the party and their outfits to Dawson City as soon as the Hootalinqua opens; that is, the expedition will follow the ice down that fine navigable stream, thereby avoiding the dangerous White Horse rapids, and arrive at Dawson City at the earliest possible date thereafter in the spring.

The plan of the Corporation is to provide shelter and good substantial food for the parties accompanying the Expedition from the day they leave Victoria until they reach the destination. While waiting at Teslin Lake for the ice to break up they will have the opportunity of prospecting the very promising ground in that vicinity. The price of the ticket covers transportation, food, shelter and the free carriage of 400 pounds baggage.

Early in January an advance party with horses will be sent up the Stickeen River to build shelters with stoves for cooking and warmth and establish supply depots.

After the Coast Range on the Stickeen River has been passed the expedition will go through a country where the snowfall is generally light and along the greater portion of which a white population has been living for some years.

The Corporation will establish trading posts at Teslin Lake, Dawson City and other Yukon points and will furnish supplies to purchasers at reasonable prices.

The price of a ticket covering the accommodations above mentioned is $500, one-half of which must be paid into the Bank of Montreal at Victoria at the time of signing the contract for transportation, the balance to be paid before the sailing of the steamer from Victoria.

As the number of persons by this route will be limited, applications should be made at once, and to secure a ticket, each applicant must, with his application forward a Post Office order for $20.00 payable to the Bank of Montreal at Victoria.

The Corporation reserves the right to select members of the expedition and will return all payments made to unsuccessful applicants.

SPECIAL RATES ON EXCESS BAGGAGE.

The provisions included in the 400 pounds of personal baggage can be purchased from the Company before leaving Victoria.

The Corporation will, at a later date, be prepared to transport passengers in their own ocean and river steamboats to the Stickeen, Yukon and Teslin Lake waters.

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing a railway from some point on the Skeena River, in the Province of British Columbia to some point at or near the eastern boundary of the Province, with power to build branch lines to be operated by any known motive power to any mining or farming regions practicable in connection with the said railway; to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway or any part thereof; to const uct elevators, build wharves, docks, warehouses, smelters, refineries, concentrators, stamp mills, etc.; to carry on a general mining and transportation business; to build construct, acquire, and operate ships, steamships, barges or other water craft; to appropriate or otherwise acquire water power, rights and privileges.

HERBERT E. A. ROBERTSON,
8 Bastion Square, Victoria, B.C.,
de 10 Solicitor for the applicants.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip maintain and operate, by any kind or kinds of motive power, either a standard or narrow gauge railway, for the purpose of conveying passengers, freight and merchandise from Teslin Lake, in the Province of British Columbia, in a southerly direction to some point on the Pacific coast or inlets thereof, in the said Province; with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharves, docks, elevators and railway stations in connection therewith, and generally to carry on the business of transportation; to erect, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and any branches thereof; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes aforesaid; to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges or other aids from any government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over the said railway or any of its branches; together with all such other powers, rights and privileges as may be necessary or incidental to the attainment of the foregoing objects or any of them.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., the 8th day of December, 1897.

H. E. A. ROBERTSON,
8 Bastion Square, Victoria, B.C.,
de-10 Solicitor for the applicants.

French Boodlers.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—At to-day's trial of the deputies and others accused of participation in the Panama canal intrigues the public prosecutor announced the abandonment of the charges against Gallard, Rigaud, Laissant and Boyer, and asked that an adequate sentence be imposed on Arton, Saint Martin, Maret and Planteau.

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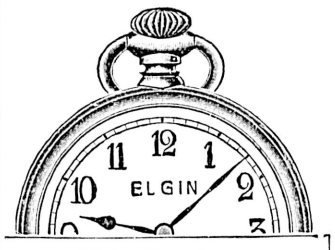
DUTY ON YUKON OUTFITS.

TO THE EDITOR:—In your issue of October 31, which I just received a few days ago among other papers, I noticed a letter from Colonel Ward, of Montana, regarding outfits going into the Klondyke. Now, with your kind permission, I would like to say a few words on this subject through the medium of your paper, as the question of duty directly concerns all persons going into the Klondyke country. The fact is that all goods—either American or Canadian—must pay duty. If you buy your outfit in Seattle you pay duty as soon as you reach the Canadian border; if you outfit in Victoria or Vancouver you either pay duty at Skagway or pay a U.S. officer $6 per day to see you over the summit. This is the true state of affairs at present. If the weather is very favorable you might get over the summit in two weeks with an ordinary outfit; if it is anything like it has been in the higher altitudes during the past month, it would take anywhere from four to six weeks, this means a cost of from $50 to $150, which if not generally known, will greatly surprise many who arrive here in the near future, as the boys say—this is no josh—but an actual fact. I have lived here for over three months, and as my position keeps me directly engaged with bonded goods landed on our wharf, I am able to speak from facts. Five Victoria outfits to my knowledge landed last week, all of which payed duty, rather than pay a man to see them over the summit. One person in particular from St. Louis was induced by friends in Seattle to outfit in Victoria. He remarked to me that some of the Eastern papers would hear from him very soon. Now this exorbitant expense bill imposed by the American government could easily be overcome if the United States authorities would place an officer on the Canadian border of the trail to inspect all bonded goods on arrival. It is too bad; but the two governments could decide upon some more friendly means of settling this difficulty. I trust that steps may be taken in the near future for the benefit of all concerned.

SPECTATOR.

Skagway, Dec. 15, 1897.



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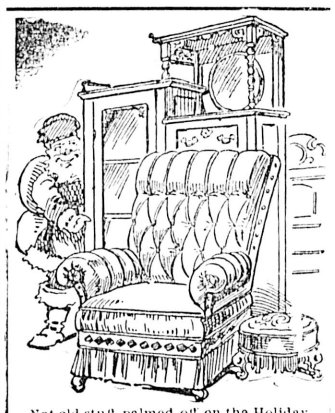

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Whitewater Hotel Keeper Held Responsible for the Death From Exposure of a Man He Had Kicked.

On Saturday, the 18th instant, a man was picked up on the line of the Kaslo & Slocan railway near South Fork in a badly frozen condition and soon died from the exposure he had undergone. Dr. Rogers, coroner, held an inquest on Monday, and as the investigation progressed the affair took on a serious aspect. The facts, briefly stated, were that on Thursday night last about 10:30 Edward Kellehan and Albert Ashton, who had been working at Whitewater and other places in the vicinity, started to walk to Kaslo. Before leaving the Victoria hotel at Whitewater they had an altercation with Charles Boreen, the proprietor, in regard to board bills, due by both. It ended in a scuffle taking place between Ashton and Boreen, in which Ashton was said to have been rather roughly used, so much so that he could not keep up with Kellehan, who came on to Kaslo the same night without him, arriving here at 2 o'clock in the morning.

The same day, at 9:40 o'clock, Ashton was found in an almost unconscious condition some four miles above South Forks by one William Morrison, who was on his way to Whitewater, and who endeavored to help him along for some distance and find shelter for him at woodcutters' camps along the track. Morrison finally had to leave him and continued on his way. Shortly after he was discovered by two woodcutters named John Matson and August Lawlor at a point about three miles from South Forks. They immediately carried him to a Chinaman's hut near by, and did what they could for the unfortunate man, whose hands were badly frozen. At this time he could not speak, and was evidently suffering from other injuries of some nature. After attending him as best they could, Watson and Lawlor left the hut; when they returned shortly afterwards the man was dead.

Edward Kellehan, the dead man's partner, and one of the most important witnesses at the inquest, stated on examination that on Thursday night, the 16th inst., he and Albert Ashton started to walk to Kaslo. They had gone but a short distance when Charles Boreen, one of the proprietors of the Victoria, and his bartender, followed them and they returned with them to settle a bill. Ashton was unable to pay his, and a scuffle took place between him and Boreen, in which, according to Kellhan's story, his partner was thrown to the ground outside the hotel and kicked by Boreen. He soon afterwards started for Kaslo the second time and Ashton complained of being hurt and would not accompany him. He stated that neither he nor Ashton had drunk much during the evening, and his account of the scuffle showed up Boreen in a rather ugly light.

Charles Boreen, the hotel man, during his evidence admitted the scuffle with Ashton but denied kicking the man at any time. He stated that when Ashton was down he tried to get away from him, but the latter held on to his legs. He then struck him with his fist in the face, when Ashton let go and went into the barber shop to wash his face. The two men went away shortly afterwards and he saw nothing more of them.

Wm. Morrison, who first found Ashton near the track, testified that Ashton told him he had been in a fight with Charley Boreen at Whitewater, and that he had been badly used up by Boreen. He complained of his back at the time and showed a badly swollen hand.

The inquest was resumed on Tuesday after a post mortem examination had been made by Dr. Hartin, who testified that there was no internal evidence of injury, and that in his opinion death was due to exposure.

The jury after deliberation found "that Albert Ashton came to his death through exposure, aggravated by an assault on his person by Charles Boreen, at or near the Victoria hotel, Whitewater."

Boreen was arrested on the coroner's warrant, and on Wednesday was arraigned before Justices of the Peace Green and Chipman, on the charge that he "did unlawfully kill and slay one Albert Ashton." The Crown was represented by A. Whealler of Kaslo, and Mr. M. L. Grimmett of Sandon appeared for the accused. It was decided after brief preliminaries that the examination should be adjourned until the next Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Application for bail on behalf of the accused was made by Mr. Grimmett and argued pro and con by him and Mr. Whealler. Police Magistrate Chipman, who sat alone during the latter part of the hearing, took the matter under advisement, and in the evening fixed the sum at $12,000, the prisoner himself at $6,000, and two sureties in the sum of $3,000 each, or three sureties in $2,000 each.

The deceased man Ashton came from the vicinity of Toronto, and was a carpenter by trade. But little is known of his people.

Bomb in a Theatre.

OLMITZ, Moravia, Dec. 27.—A bomb made of gas pipe and filled with powder was exploded in the German theatre today. Little damage was done, but the incident has caused great excitement among residents.

Presbyterian Treasurer's Theft.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—The grand jury this afternoon returned an indictment against Charles M. Charnely, ex-treasurer of the Presbyterian board of aid for colleges and academies. The bill accuses Charnely of the embezzlement of $65,000 of the funds of the board.

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5 a.m..	45°		
9 a.m..	47°	Highest 48°	5 a.m.—12 E.
1 p.m..	48°		1 p.m.—8 S.E.
5 p.m..	48°	Lowest 43°	9 p.m.—20 S.
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AT THE CITY COUNCIL.

Dominion Government Refuse to Give Any Further Grant to Darcey Island Lazaretto.

Bills in Connection With the Bridge Suits Referred to a Special Meeting.

The principal topic to come up at last evening's city council meeting was the refusal of the present Dominion government to contribute to the lazaretto at Darcey island. The refusal came in a letter signed by Hon. Sydney Fisher, minister of agriculture. He wrote to the city clerk as follows:

OTTAWA, Dec. 1897.

DEAR SIR,—The Hon. Mr. Sifton has handed me the memorandum which you gave him in regard to the Darcey island station for lepers, and has asked me to look into the matter and reply to you accordingly. I can only refer you to the letter of the department written by my deputy addressed to yon on the 22nd July, 1897, and I have seen no reason to change the views which I held in the matter then. No new facts in regard to the relations between the Dominion government and the province have been brought to my attention since that time or are contained in the memorial which has come to me by the Hon. Mr. Sifton's hands. SYDNEY FISHER.

Ald. Stewart felt that as the Dominion bore the whole support of the lazaretto on the Atlantic coast it was only fair that they should assist in bearing part of the cost of the Darcy island station. It concerned the whole province as well as Victoria, and he advised that the provincial representatives in the Senate and the House of Commons should keep on kicking till something was done.

Ald. Kinsman and McCandless took a similar view, and so did Ald. Hall.

The letter was filed.

An offer was received from Beaumont Boggs to give the city 250 copies free a week of the Klondyke Review if the city would pay the postage for distributing them. This was accepted with thanks.

Complaint of a nuisance caused by a drain near the club house came from the J.B.A.A. and the association also asked for a stone crossing opposite the club house. The first subject was referred to the sanitary officer and the city council and the streets committee will report on the crossing.

Complaints from W. H. Mason of water flowing on private property from Michigan street and a request for putting the East side of Mary street in shape were referred to the streets committee to report.

Several applications were received for the position of lamp trimmer vacated by the death of the late Henry Jewell and it being the general view that A. E. Jewell be appointed to the place the mayor was authorized to make the appointment.

The water commissioner reported in regard to a request for information from the fire underwriters that the waterworks would be completed in the spring of 1898 and would not make any appreciable difference in the water pressure.

Next came a lengthy letter from the city solicitor pointing out that in lieu of the costs he was authorized to collect for the bridge actions; he was willing to accept an addition of a lump sum to his salary of $1,000.

The letter was referred to a special meeting to be held on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. The Mayor, although the communication was read in open council, refused to hand it to the reporters for publication, claiming he had a right thus to exercise his discretion in keeping the information from the ratepayers until after the special meeting.

A bill was sent in for additional legal assistance by Messrs. McPhillips & Williams, Vancouver, for $425.25 for attending to incidental business in connection with the bridge suits.

Ald. Partridge took exception to this account, as he had known nothing about the bill being incurred.

The Mayor explained that it was inevitable expense which would not have been incurred had the cases been tried in Victoria, somebody having necessarily to look after things in Vancouver when the city solicitor was in Victoria.

This matter was referred to the same special meeting as the solicitor's letter.

In regard to the letter of Messrs. Crease & Crease of last week, the city solicitor and the sanitary inspector reported that the cabin, No. 27 Fisgard street, was not pulled down by the city, but by Mr. Christie, the contractor for Mr. T. R. Smith, agent of the property.

After passing a resolution authorizing a bad debt of some $69 to be stricken off the city's books, the council adjourned.

CEDAR HILL

School Children Have Their Annual Christmas Tree and an Interesting Programme.

A very pleasant time was spent at the Cedar Hill schoolhouse on Christmas Eve, when the children gathered around the annual Christmas tree. A supper was provided by the ladies of the district, which lasted from five to seven. The programme was rendered entirely by the children and consisted of songs, recitations, etc. Perhaps a notable feature was a cantata, entitled "The School Festival," in which Mr. Cogswell, the teacher, had taken a lot of trouble in teaching the different parts. Arthur Whittaker's recitation was well received. The action songs, entitled the "Rainbow" and "Puff," received hearty applause. By request, the temperance song entitled "To the Rescue," given at the school examination, was repeated. Mr. R. M. Palmer had offered a prize for the best recitation of the evening. This by choice of the audience fell to Miss Ethel M. Irvine, although Harold Russell made a close contest and received honorable mention. Miss Grace Holmes also received a prize that she had won at the school examination.

The following programme was rendered: Song, Hattie Bell; recitation, Clara Merriman; song, Dena Wilson; recitation, Bessie Merriman; recitation, Ethel Irvine; recitation, Belle Laing; song, "Storm and Sunshine"; recitation, Harold Russell; recitation, Mabel Miller; song, "Puffs"; recitation, Arthur Whittaker; song, "To the Rescue"; recitation, Elsie Merriman. After the programme a well-laden tree was stripped of its fruits, and all enjoyed themselves exceedingly. The exercises closed with "God Save the Queen."

GREEK SHIP FIRED ON.

Turkish Forts Did This But the Sultan Politely Begs Pardon.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 27.—The Turkish government, replying to the representations of Greece, has explained that the firing upon the Greek gunboat at Actium by the Turks at Prevesa on Saturday last, as the vessel was leaving the gulf of Ambracia, was due to a mistake.

MARRIED.

NORCROSS-LAKE—December 22nd, 1897, at S. Matthew's, Wellington, B. C., by the rector and rural dean, the Rev. C. E. Cooper, M. A., assisted by the Rev. R. S. Bosenquet, M. A., rector of St. Alban's; Nanaimo, B. C., James Edward, eldest son of James Norcross, of Somenos, Vancouver Island, to Mary Ellen Gertrude, youngest daughter of Henry Lake, of Brixton, Surrey.

DIED.

BONE—On the 25th inst, at his residence Saanich Road, Thos. S. Bone a native of Saltash, Cornwall, England, aged 60 years.

The funeral will take place to-morrow (TUESDAY,) at 2 o'clock from the residence as above and at the Centennial Methodist Church at 2:30 p.m. Friends will please accept this intimation.

JOHNSTON—At Seattle, on Dec. 15th, 1897, Mabel, wife of Capt. R. G. Johnston, of the Seattle Fire Department, and second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Galer, formerly of this city.

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